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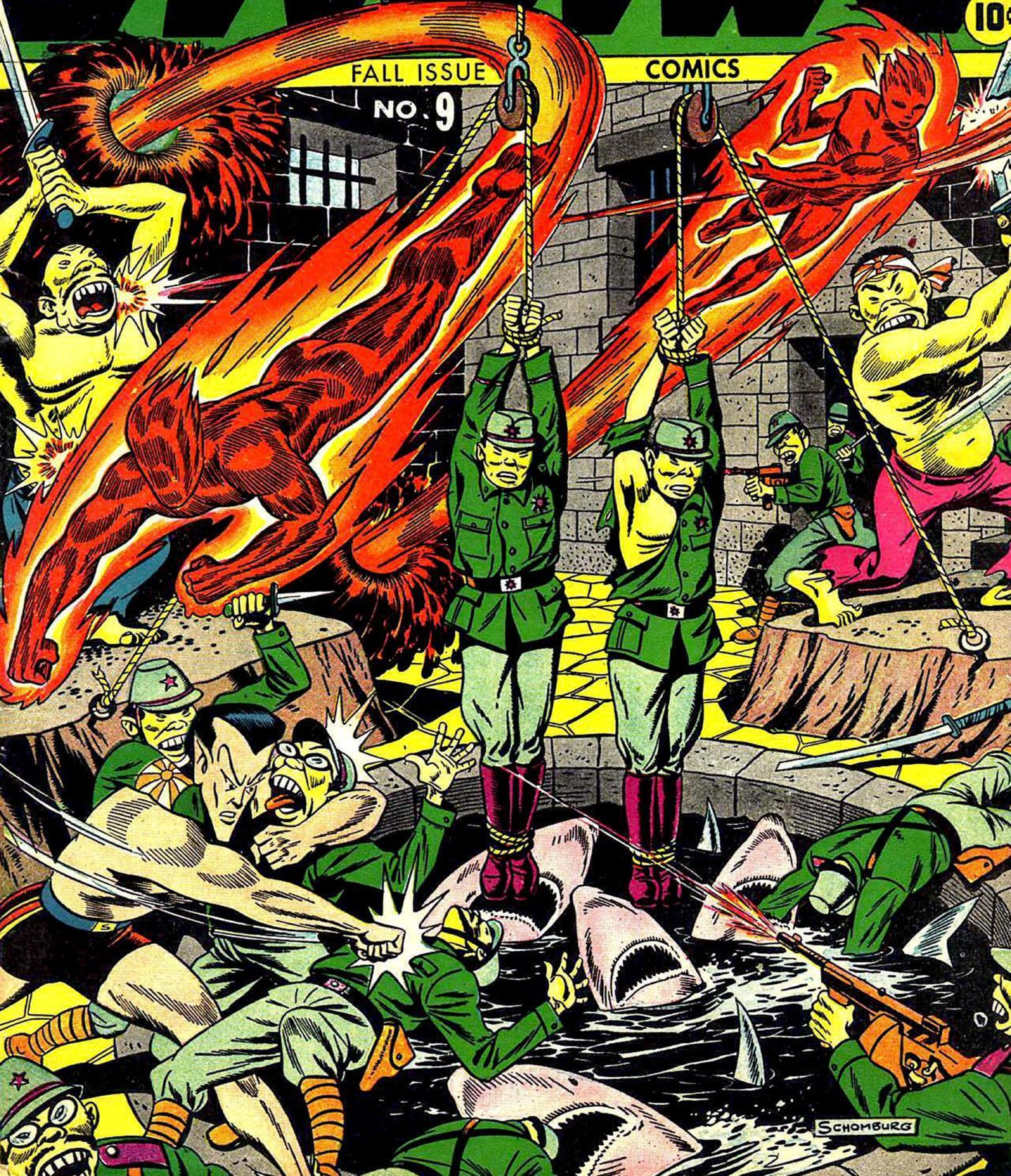

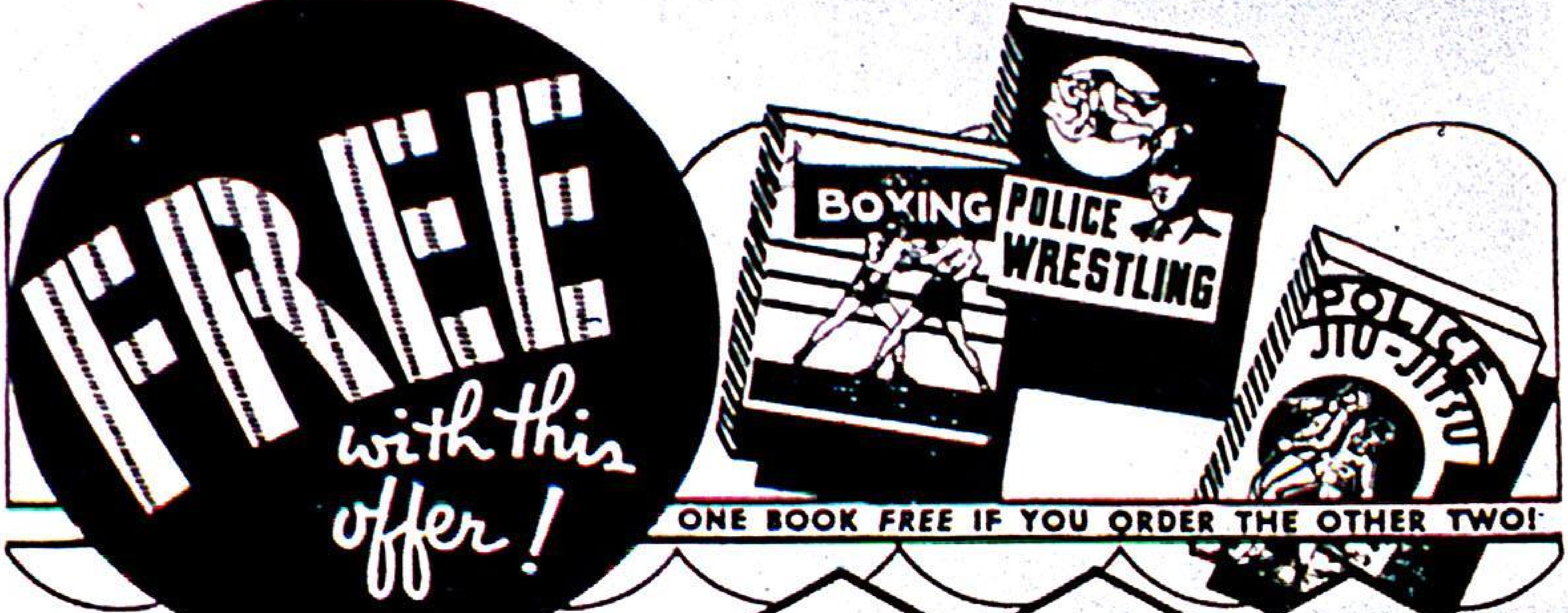

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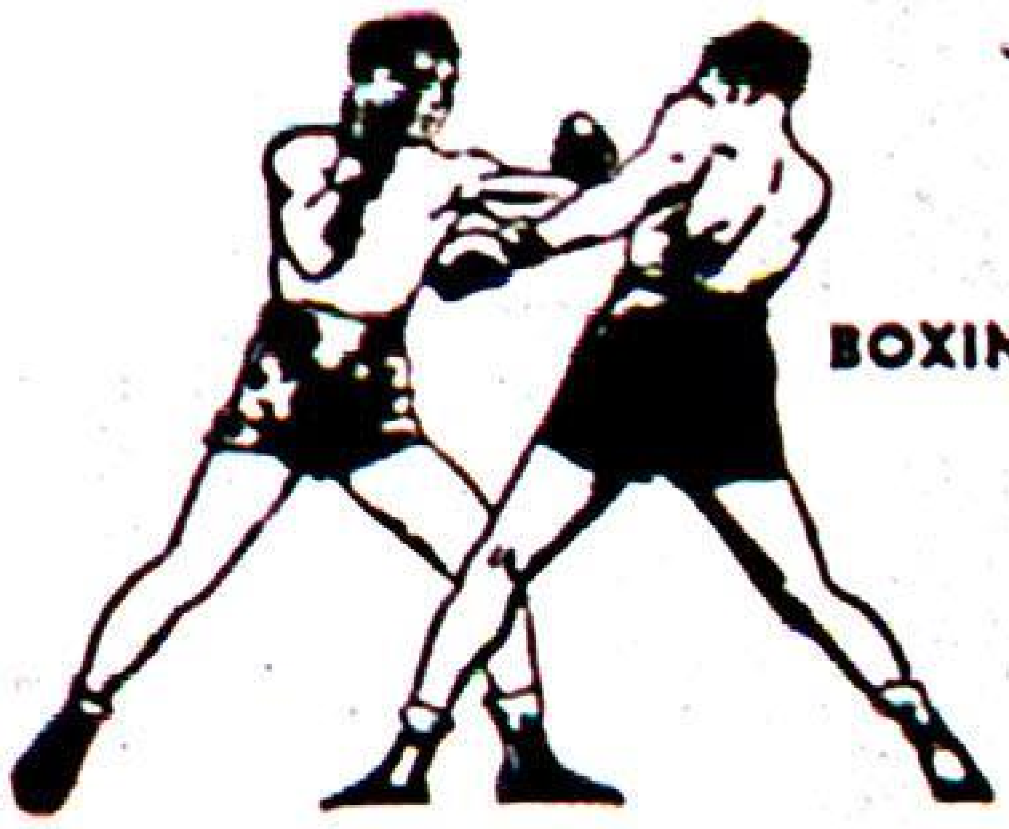

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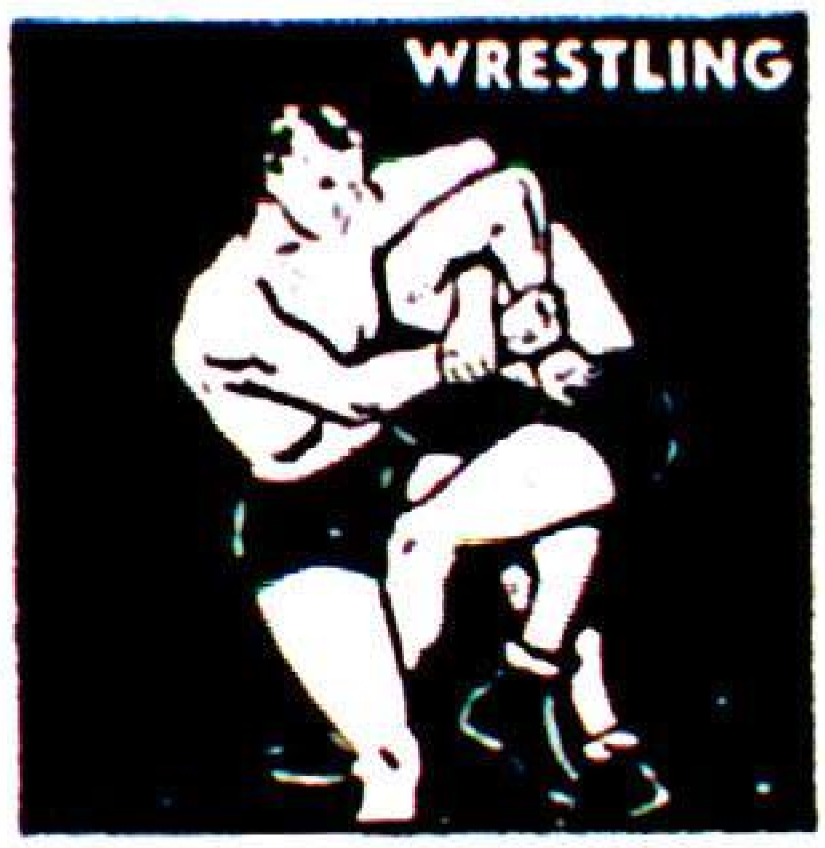

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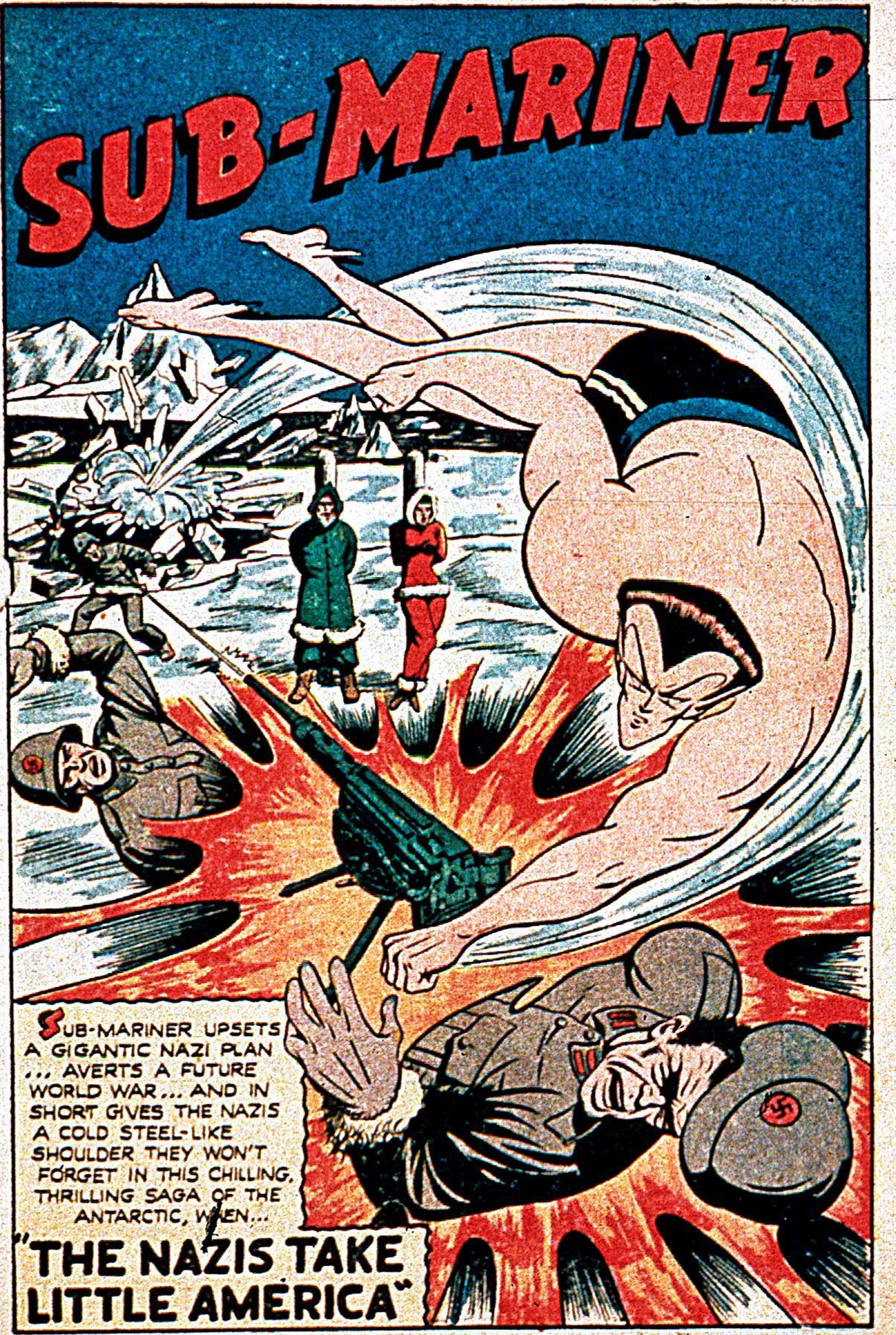
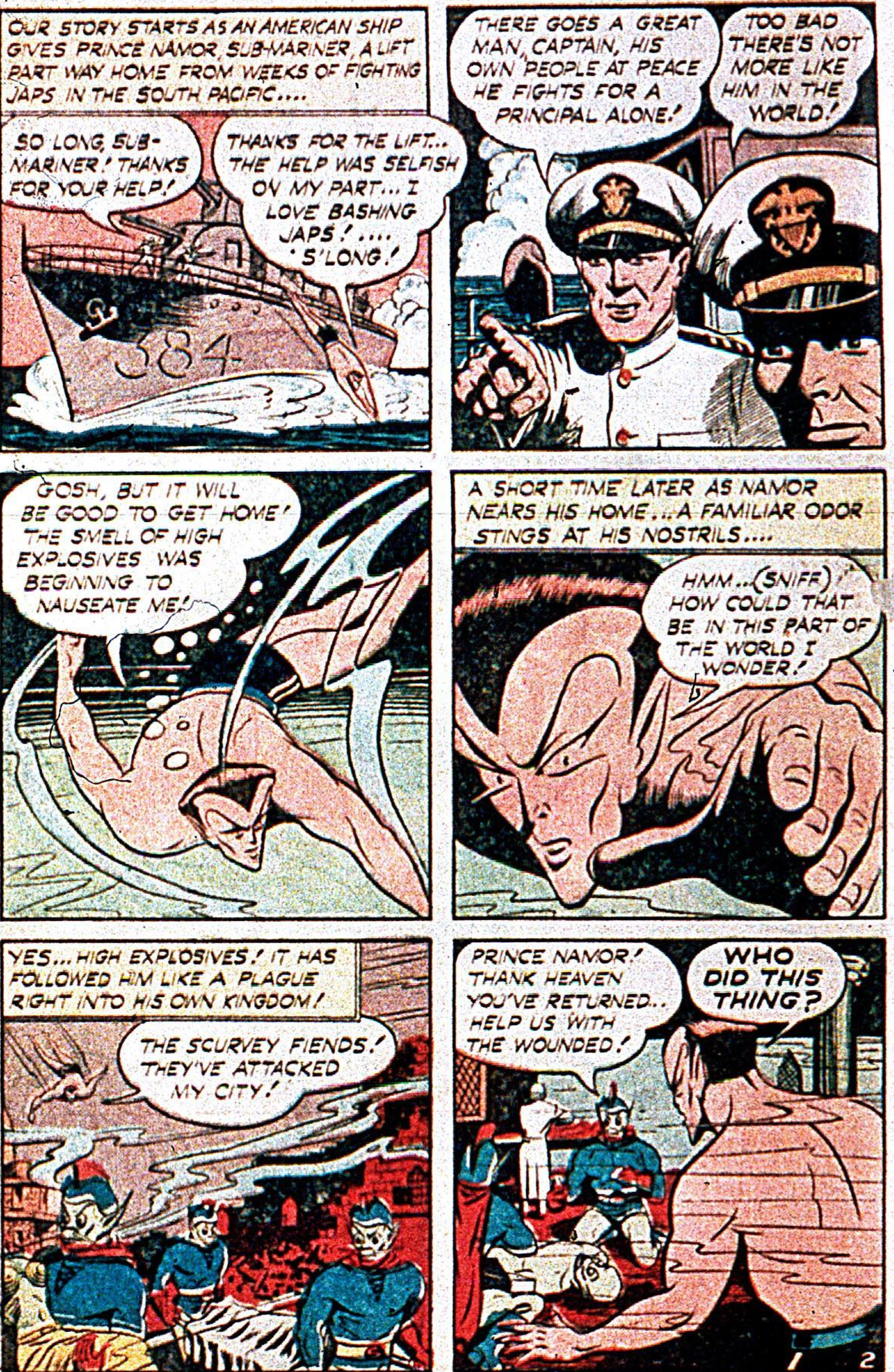

SUB-MARINER
SUB-MARINER UPSETS A GIGANTIC NAZI PLAN ..., AVERTS A FUTURE WORLD WAR... AND IN SHORT GIVES THE NAZIS A COLD STEEL-LIKE SHOULDER THEY WON'T FORGET IN THIS CHILLING, THRILLING SAGA OF THE ANTARCTIC, WHEN...
"THE NAZIS TAKE LITTLE AMERICA"


OUR STORY STARTS AS AN AMERICAN SHIP GIVES PRINCE NAMOR, SUB-MARINER, A LIFT PART WAY HOME FROM WEEKS OF FIGHTING JAPS IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC....
SO LONG, SUB-MARINER! THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!
THANKS FOR THE LIFT... THE HELP WAS SELFISH ON MY PART... I LOVE BASHING JAPS! .... 'S'LONG!
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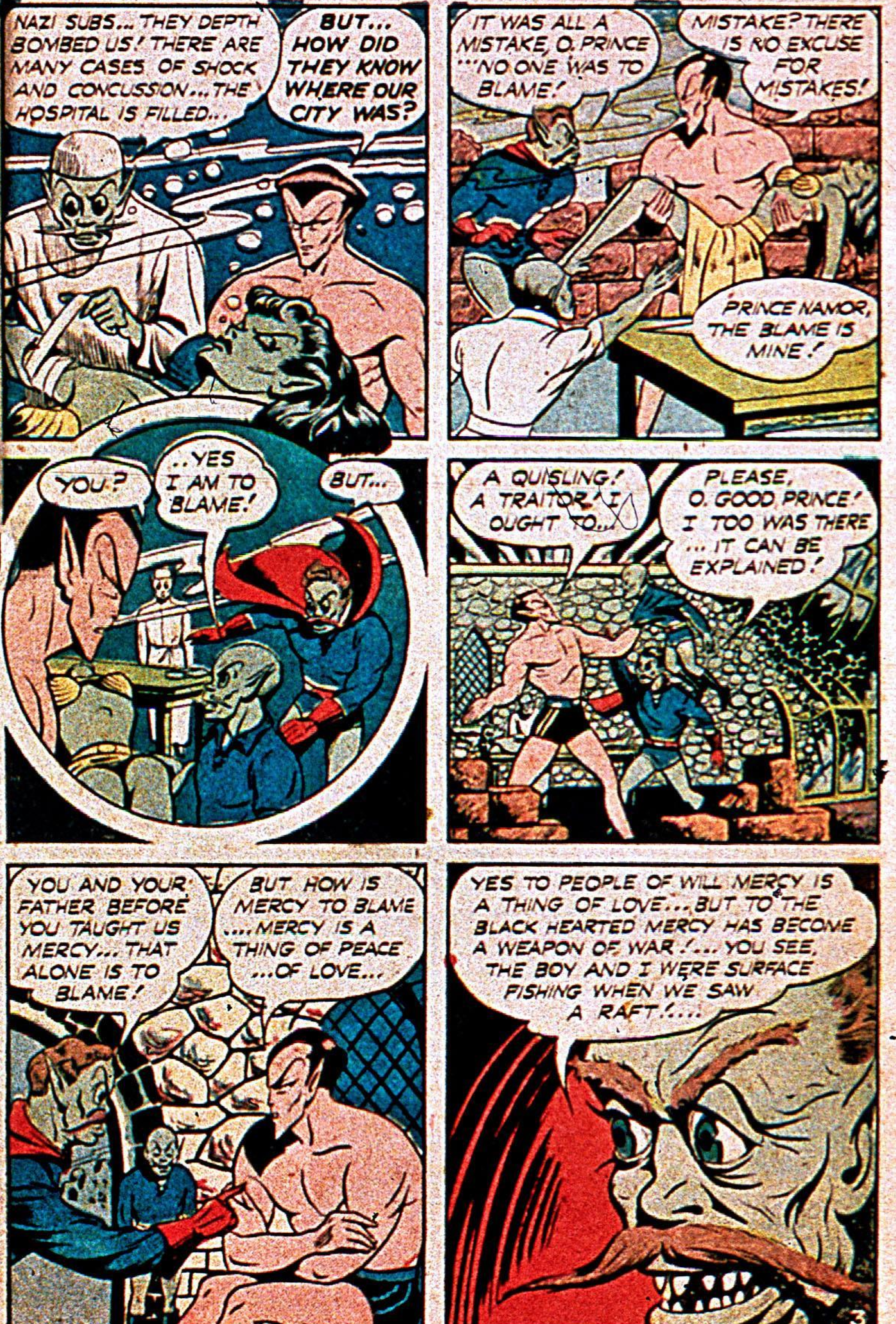
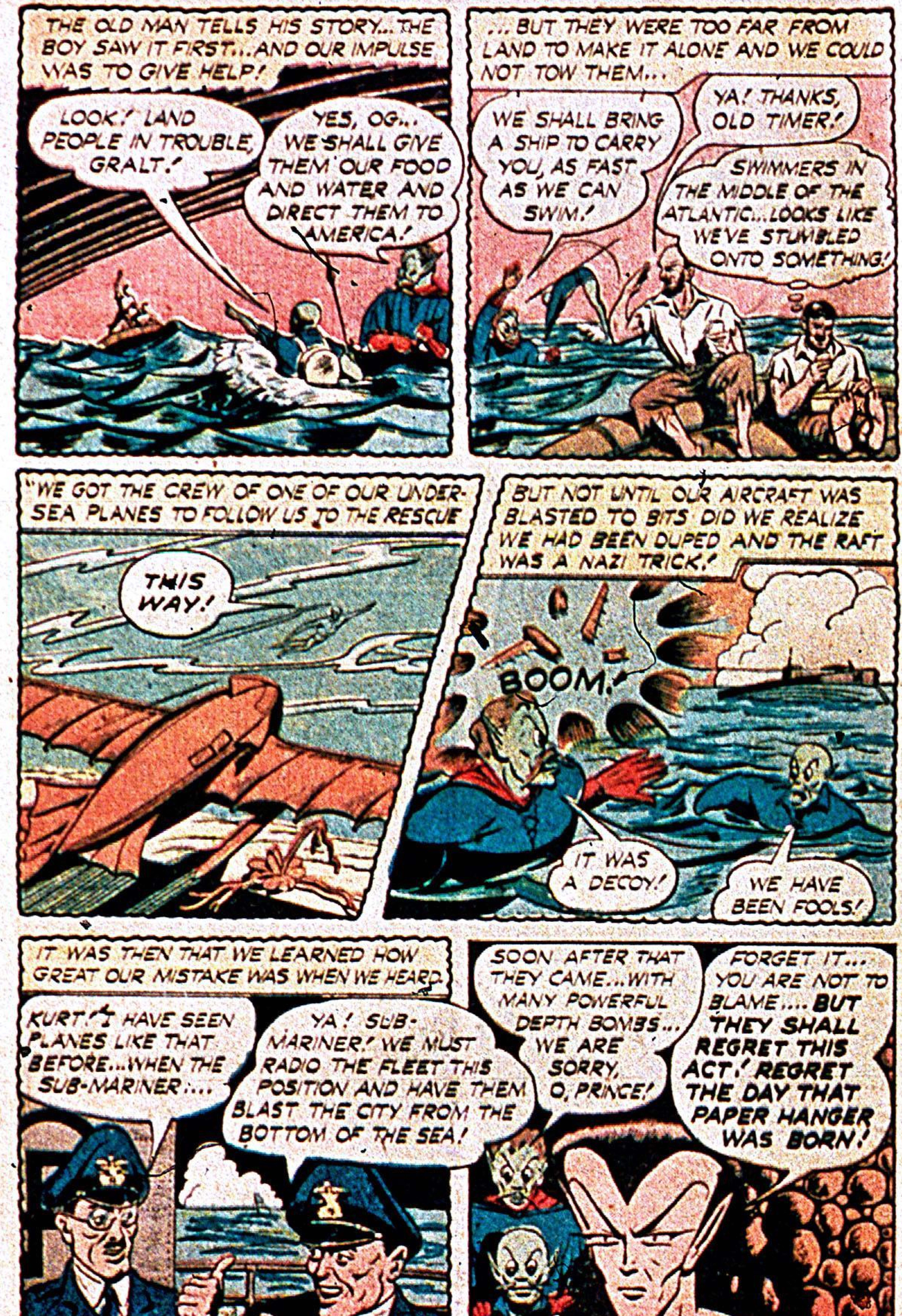
THERE GOES A GREAT MAN, CAPTAIN, HIS OWN PEOPLE AT PEACE HE FIGHTS FOR A PRINCIPAL ALONE!
TOO BAD THERE'S NOT MORE LIKE HIM IN THE WORLD!
GOSH, BUT IT WILL BE GOOD TO GET HOME! THE SMELL OF HIGH EXPLOSIVES WAS BEGINNING TO NAUSEATE ME!
A SHORT TIME LATER AS NAMOR NEARS HIS HOME...A FAMILIAR ODOR STINGS AT HIS NOSTRILS....
HMM..(SNIFF)! HOW COULD THAT BE IN THIS PART OF THE WORLD I WONDER!
YES...HIGH EXPLOSIVES! IT HAS FOLLOWED HIM LIKE A PLAGUE RIGHT INTO HIS OWN KINGDOM!
THE SCURVEY FIENDS! THEY'VE ATTACKED MY CITY!
PRINCE NAMOR! THANK HEAVEN YOU'VE RETURNED.. HELP US WITH THE WOUNDED!
WHO DID THIS THING?


NAZI SUBS... THEY DEPTH BOMBED US! THERE ARE MANY CASES OF SHOCK AND CONCUSSION... THE HOSPITAL IS FILLED...
BUT... HOW DID THEY KNOW WHERE OUR CITY WAS?
IT WAS ALL A MISTAKE, O. PRINCE ...NO ONE WAS TO BLAME!
MISTAKE? THERE IS NO EXCUSE FOR MISTAKES!
PRINCE NAMOR, THE BLAME IS MINE!
YOU?
..YES I AM TO BLAME!
BUT...
A QUISLING! A TRAITOR! I OUGHT TO...
PLEASE, O. GOOD PRINCE! I TOO WAS THERE ... IT CAN BE EXPLAINED!
YOU AND YOUR FATHER BEFORE YOU TAUGHT US MERCY... THAT ALONE IS TO BLAME!
BUT HOW IS MERCY TO BLAME ....MERCY IS A THING OF PEACE ...OF LOVE...
YES TO PEOPLE OF WILL MERCY IS A THING OF LOVE... BUT TO THE BLACK HEARTED MERCY HAS BECOME A WEAPON OF WAR!... YOU SEE, THE BOY AND I WERE SURFACE FISHING WHEN WE SAW A RAFT!...


THE OLD MAN TELLS HIS STORY... THE BOY SAW IT FIRST... AND OUR IMPULSE WAS TO GIVE HELP!
LOOK! LAND PEOPLE IN TROUBLE, GRALT!
YES, OG... WE SHALL GIVE THEM OUR FOOD AND WATER AND DIRECT THEM TO AMERICA!
... BUT THEY WERE TOO FAR FROM LAND TO MAKE IT ALONE AND WE COULD NOT TOW THEM...
WE SHALL BRING A SHIP TO CARRY YOU, AS FAST AS WE CAN SWIM!
YA! THANKS, OLD TIMER!
SWIMMERS IN THE MIDDLE OF THE ATLANTIC... LOOKS LIKE WE'VE STUMBLED ONTO SOMETHING!
"WE GOT THE CREW OF ONE OF OUR UNDER-SEA PLANES TO FOLLOW US TO THE RESCUE
THIS WAY!
BUT NOT UNTIL OUR AIRCRAFT WAS BLASTED TO BITS DID WE REALIZE WE HAD BEEN DUPED AND THE RAFT WAS A NAZI TRICK!
BOOM!
IT WAS A DECOY!
WE HAVE BEEN FOOLS!
IT WAS THEN THAT WE LEARNED HOW GREAT OUR MISTAKE WAS WHEN WE HEARD.
KURT! I HAVE SEEN PLANES LIKE THAT BEFORE... WHEN THE SUB-MARINER....
YA! SUB-MARINER! WE MUST RADIO THE FLEET THIS POSITION AND HAVE THEM BLAST THE CITY FROM THE BOTTOM OF THE SEA!
SOON AFTER THAT THEY CAME... WITH MANY POWERFUL DEPTH BOMBS... WE ARE SORRY, O, PRINCE!
FORGET IT... YOU ARE NOT TO BLAME.... BUT THEY SHALL REGRET THIS ACT! REGRET THE DAY THAT PAPER HANGER WAS BORN!
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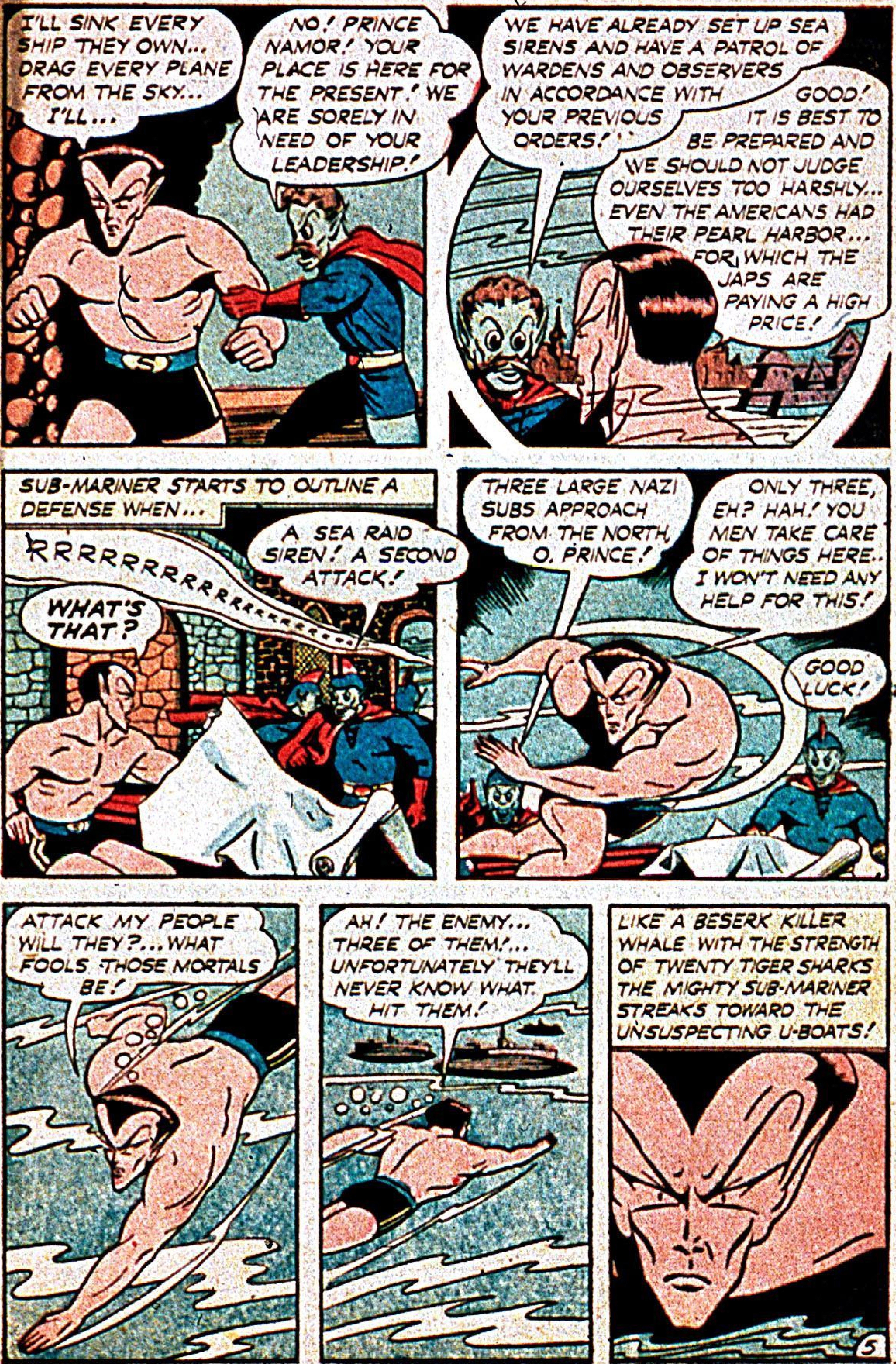
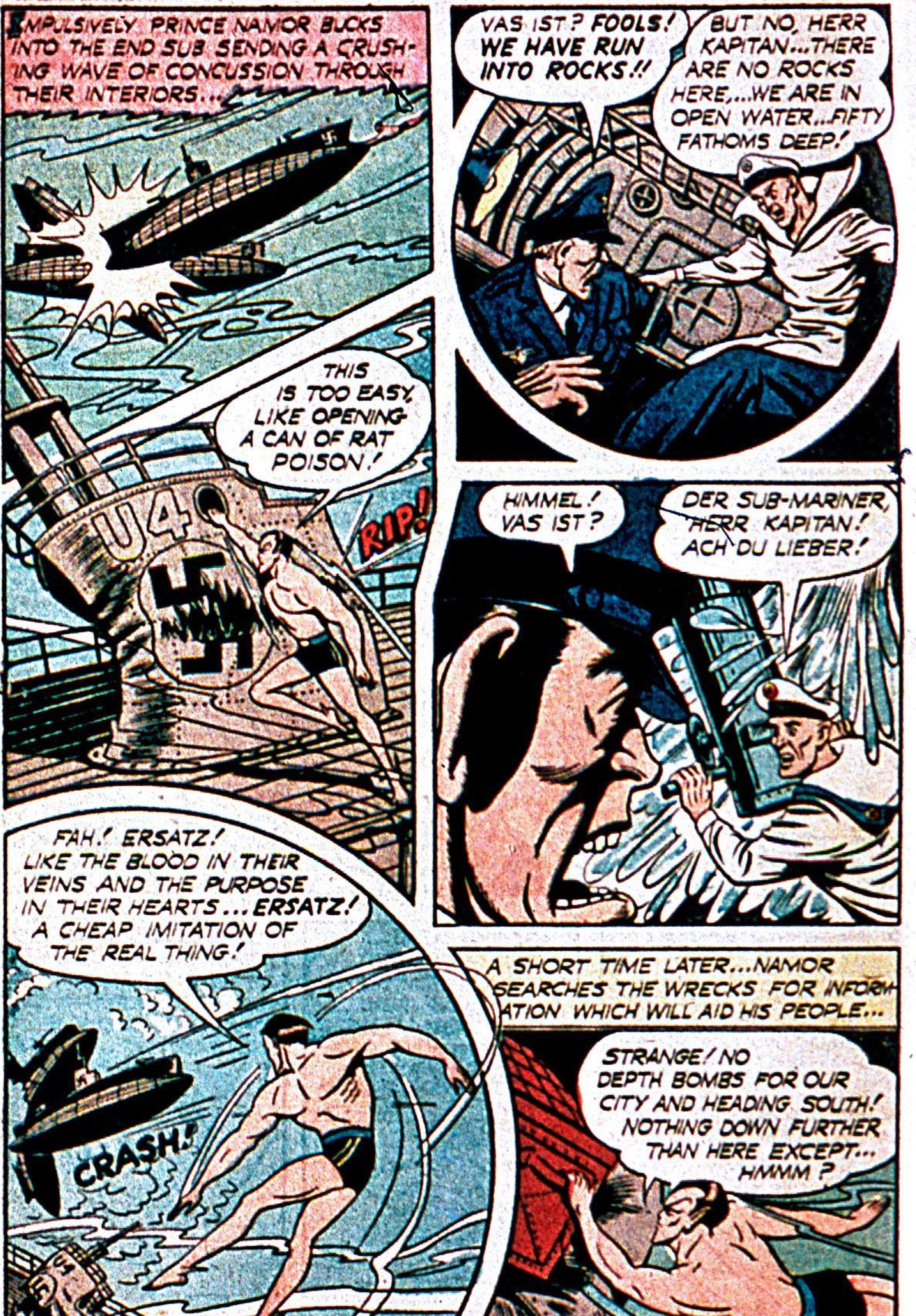

I'LL SINK EVERY SHIP THEY OWN... DRAG EVERY PLANE FROM THE SKY... I'LL...
NO! PRINCE NAMOR! YOUR PLACE IS HERE FOR THE PRESENT! WE ARE SORELY IN NEED OF YOUR LEADERSHIP!
WE HAVE ALREADY SET UP SEA SIRENS AND HAVE A PATROL OF WARDENS AND OBSERVERS IN ACCORDANCE WITH YOUR PREVIOUS ORDERS!
GOOD! IT IS BEST TO BE PREPARED AND WE SHOULD NOT JUDGE OURSELVES TOO HARSHLY... EVEN THE AMERICANS HAD THEIR PEARL HARBOR... FOR WHICH THE JAPS ARE PAYING A HIGH PRICE!
SUB-MARINER STARTS TO OUTLINE A DEFENSE WHEN...
RRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRRR
A SEA RAID SIREN! A SECOND ATTACK!
WHAT'S THAT?
THREE LARGE NAZI SUBS APPROACH FROM THE NORTH, O. PRINCE!
ONLY THREE, EH? HAH! YOU MEN TAKE CARE OF THINGS HERE.. I WON'T NEED ANY HELP FOR THIS!
GOOD LUCK!
ATTACK MY PEOPLE WILL THEY?... WHAT FOOLS THOSE MORTALS BE!
AH! THE ENEMY... THREE OF THEM!... UNFORTUNATELY THEY'LL NEVER KNOW WHAT HIT THEM!
LIKE A BESERK KILLER WHALE WITH THE STRENGTH OF TWENTY TIGER SHARKS THE MIGHTY SUB-MARINER STREAKS TOWARD THE UNSUSPECTING U-BOATS!


IMPULSIVELY PRINCE NAMOR BUCKS INTO THE END SUB SENDING A CRUSHING WAVE OF CONCUSSION THROUGH THEIR INTERIORS...
VAS IST? FOOLS! WE HAVE RUN INTO ROCKS!!
BUT NO, HERR KAPITAN...THERE ARE NO ROCKS HERE,...WE ARE IN OPEN WATER...FIFTY FATHOMS DEEP!
THIS IS TOO EASY, LIKE OPENING A CAN OF RAT POISON!
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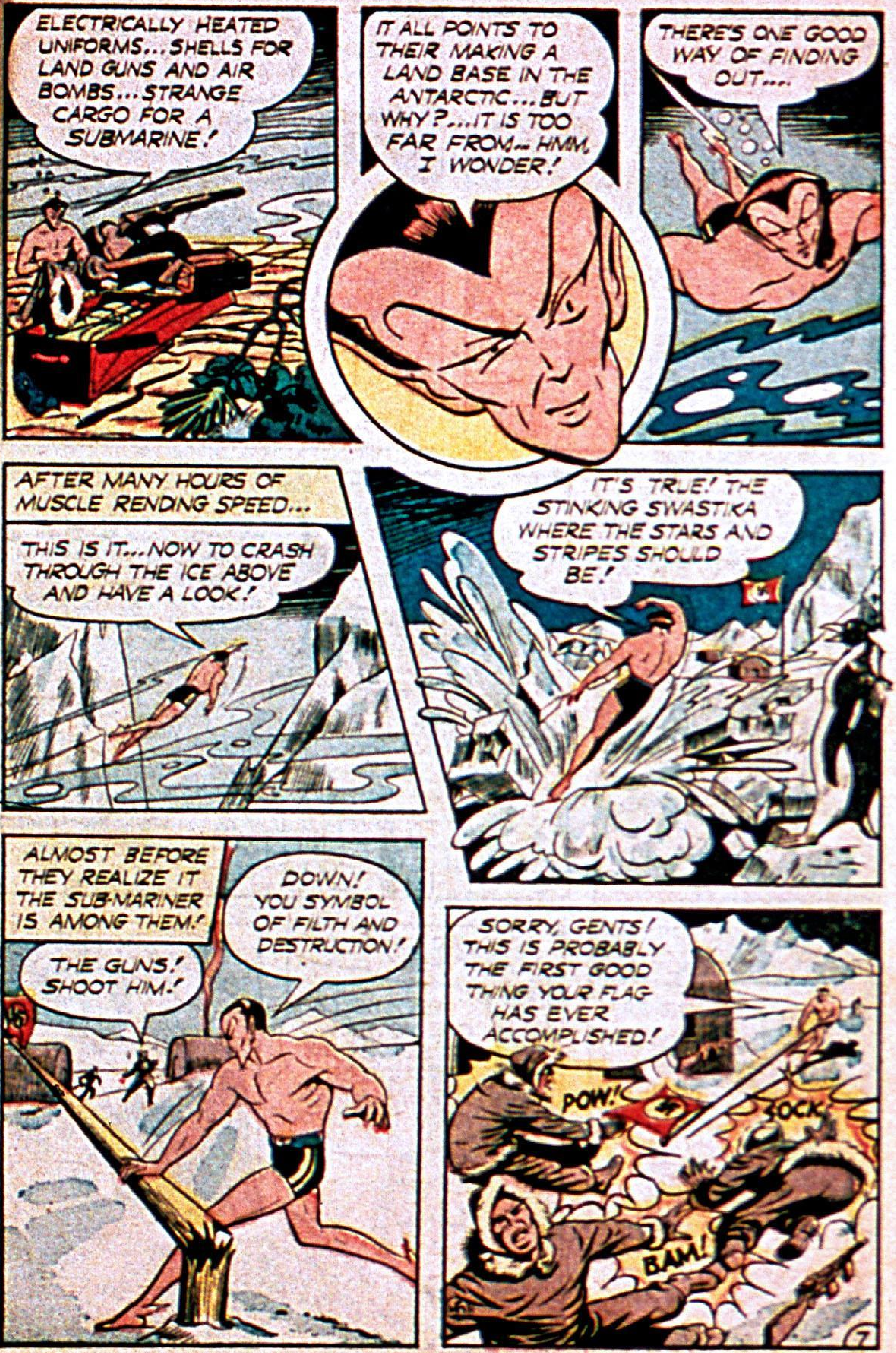
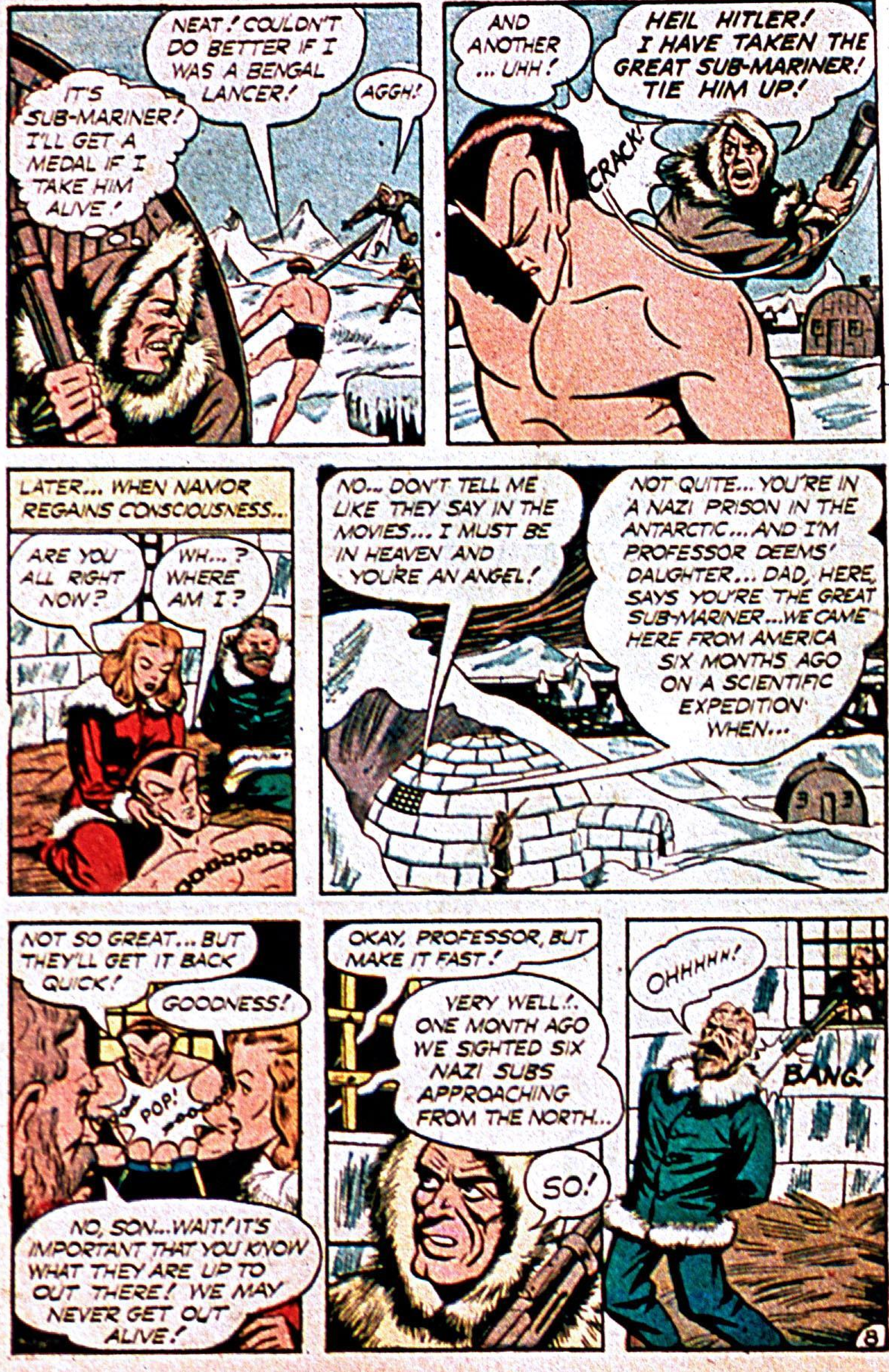
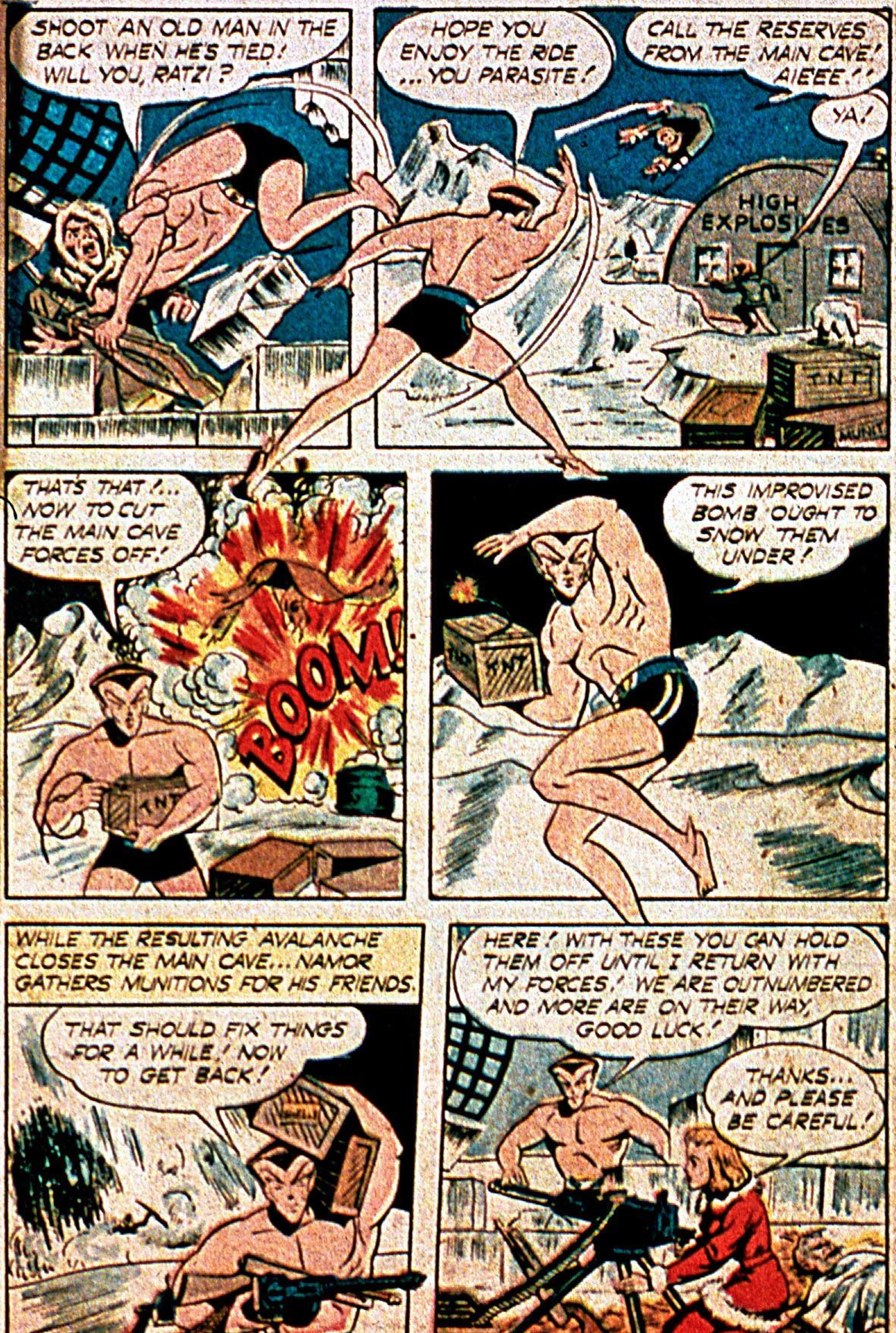
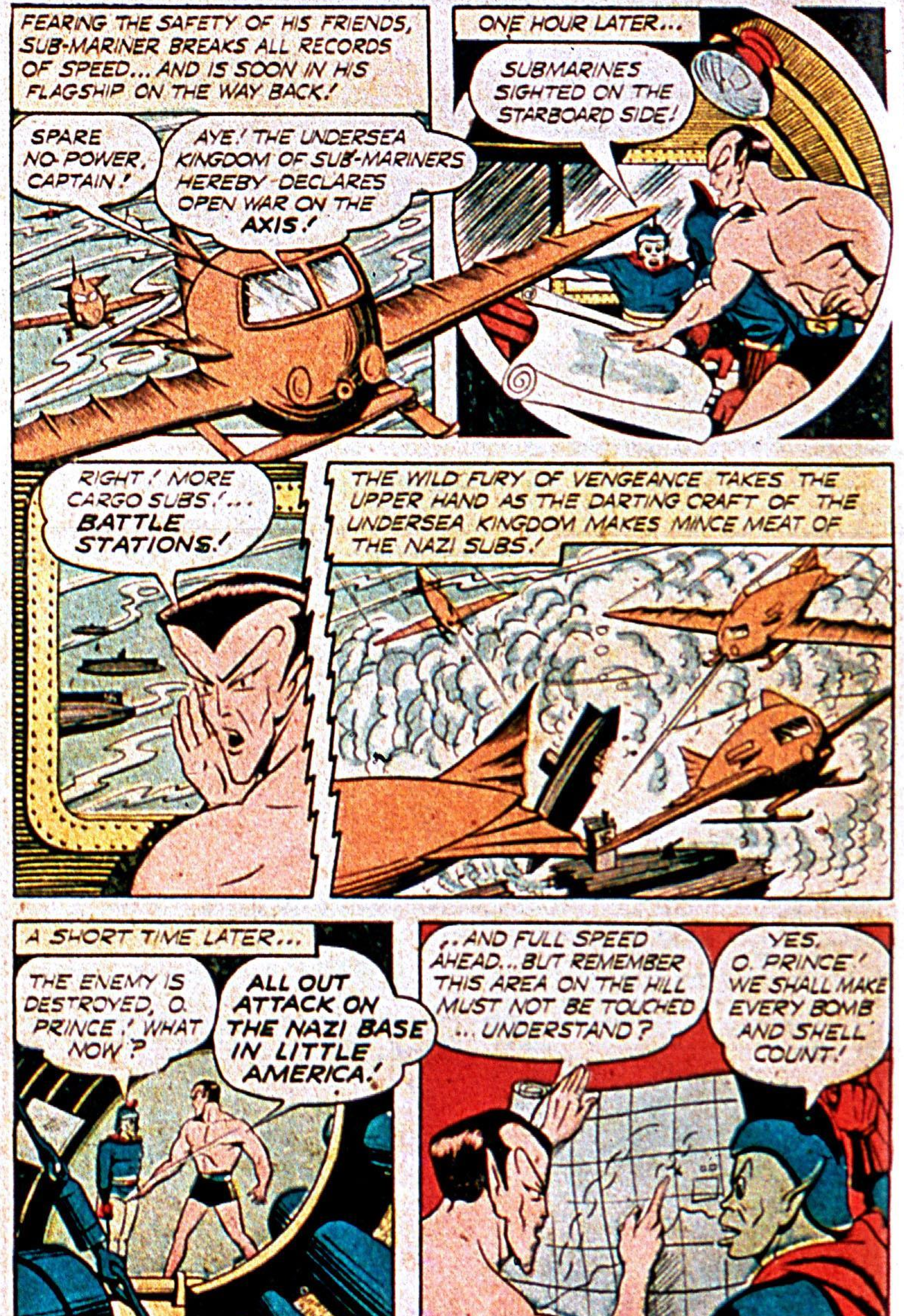
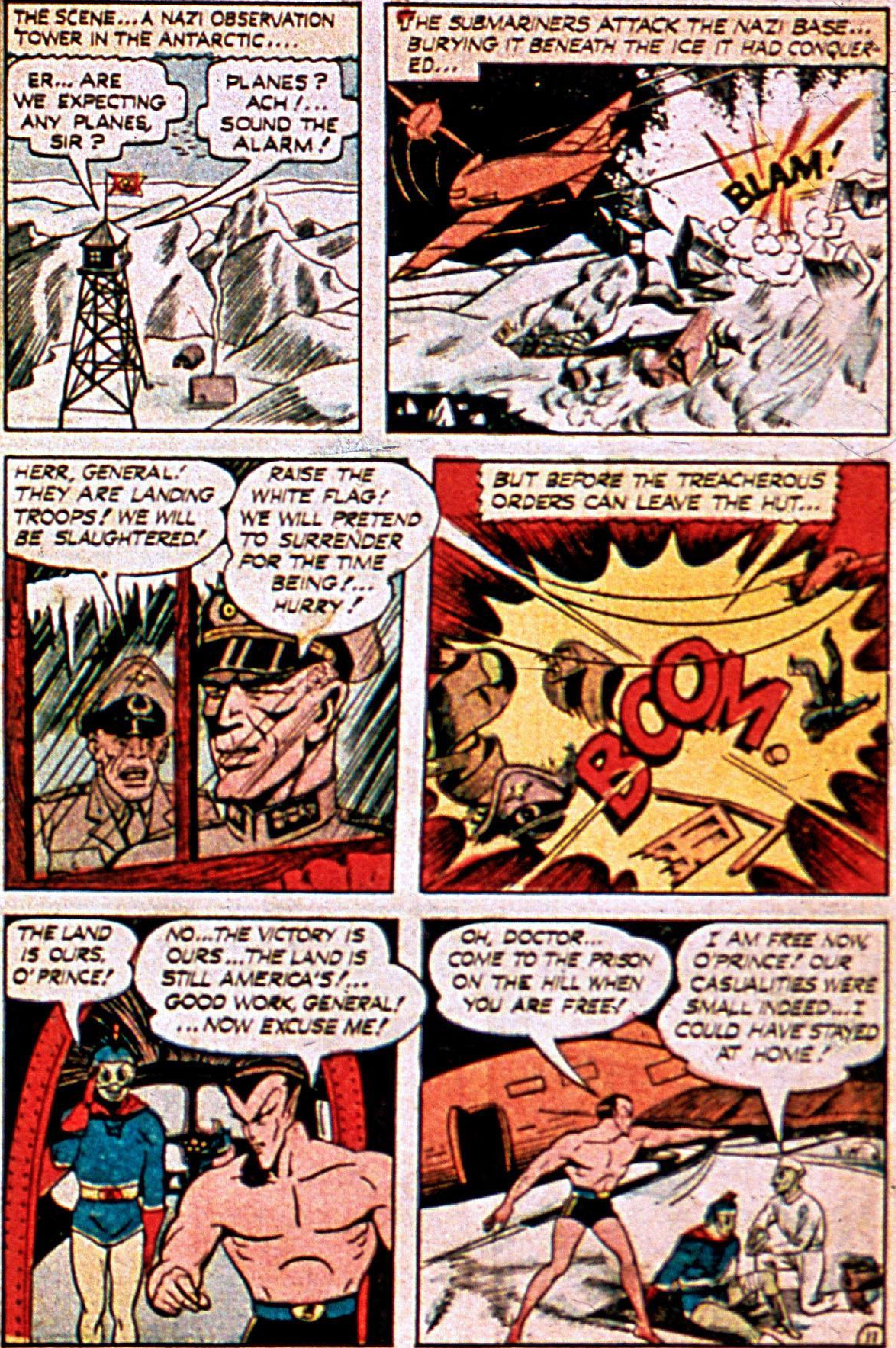
RIP!
HIMMEL! VAS IST?
DER SUB-MARINER, HERR KAPITAN! ACH DU LIEBER!
FAH! ERSATZ! LIKE THE BLOOD IN THEIR VEINS AND THE PURPOSE IN THEIR HEARTS...ERSATZ! A CHEAP IMITATION OF THE REAL THING!
CRASH!
A SHORT TIME LATER...NAMOR SEARCHES THE WRECKS FOR INFORMATION WHICH WILL AID HIS PEOPLE...
STRANGE! NO DEPTH BOMBS FOR OUR CITY AND HEADING SOUTH! NOTHING DOWN FURTHER THAN HERE EXCEPT... HMMM?

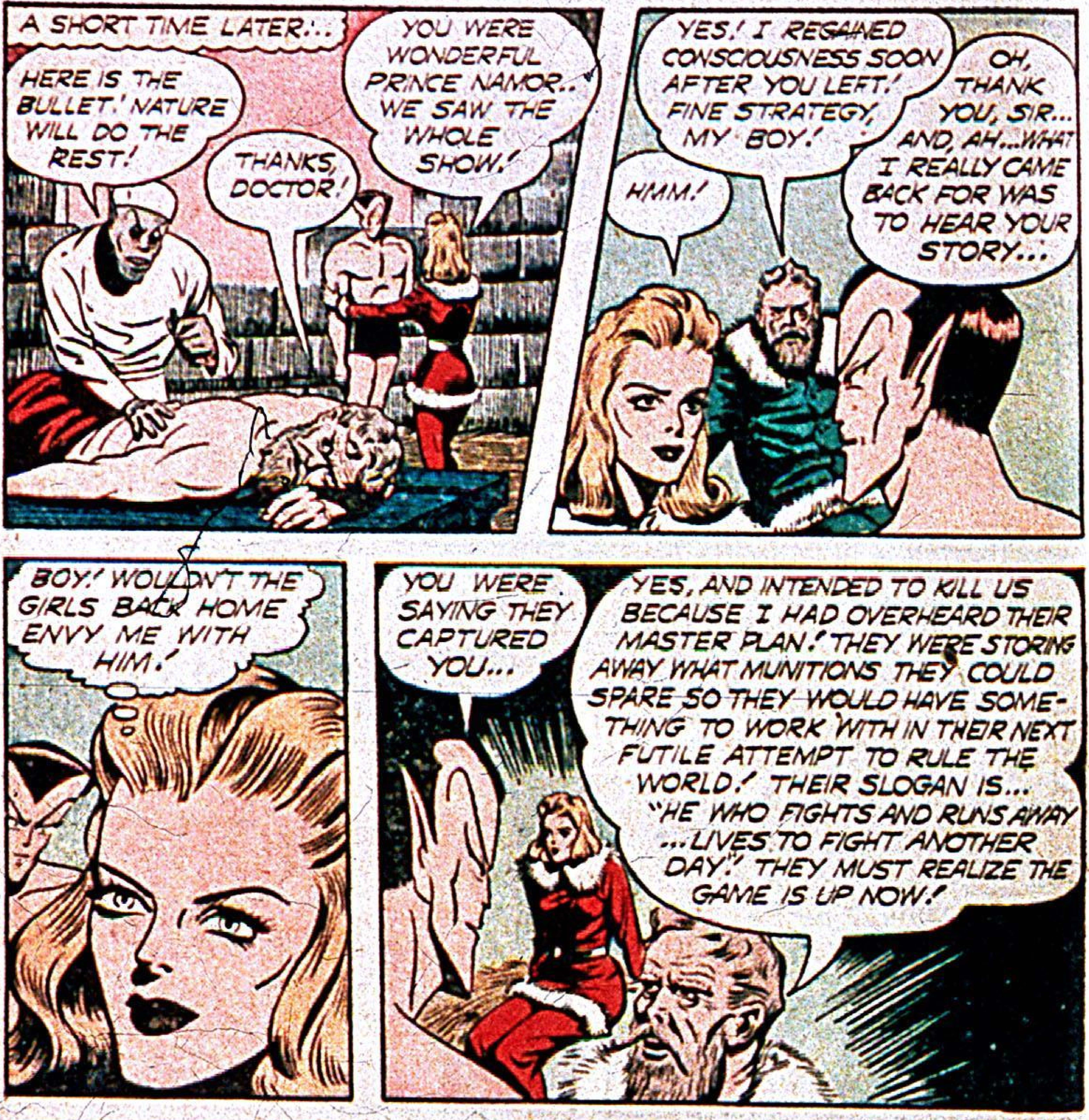

ELECTRICALLY HEATED UNIFORMS... SHELLS FOR LAND GUNS AND AIR BOMBS... STRANGE CARGO FOR A SUBMARINE!
IT ALL POINTS TO THEIR MAKING A LAND BASE IN THE ANTARCTIC... BUT WHY?... IT IS TOO FAR FROM-- HMM, I WONDER!
THERE'S ONE GOOD WAY OF FINDING OUT....
AFTER MANY HOURS OF MUSCLE RENDING SPEED...
THIS IS IT... NOW TO CRASH THROUGH THE ICE ABOVE AND HAVE A LOOK!
IT'S TRUE! THE STINKING SWASTIKA WHERE THE STARS AND STRIPES SHOULD BE!
ALMOST BEFORE THEY REALIZE IT THE SUB-MARINER IS AMONG THEM!
DOWN! YOU SYMBOL OF FILTH AND DESTRUCTION!
THE GUNS! SHOOT HIM!
SORRY, GENTS! THIS IS PROBABLY THE FIRST GOOD THING YOUR FLAG HAS EVER ACCOMPLISHED!
POW!
SOCK
BAM!

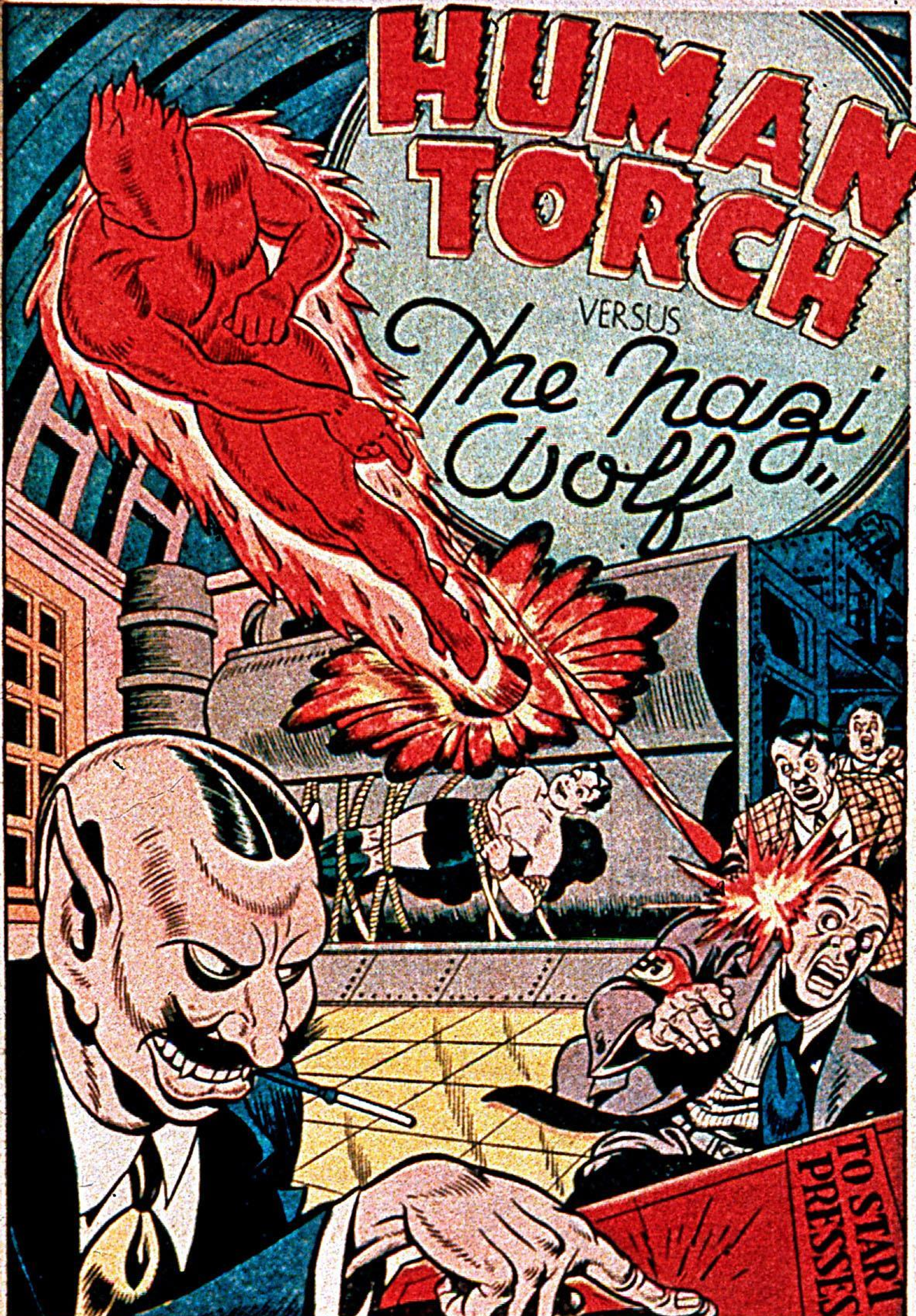

IT'S SUB-MARINER! I'LL GET A MEDAL IF I TAKE HIM ALIVE!
NEAT! COULDN'T DO BETTER IF I WAS A BENGAL LANCER!
AGGH!
AND ANOTHER ... UHH!
HEIL HITLER! I HAVE TAKEN THE GREAT SUB-MARINER! TIE HIM UP!
CRACK!
LATER... WHEN NAMOR REGAINS CONSCIOUSNESS...
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT NOW?
WH...? WHERE AM I?
NO... DON'T TELL ME LIKE THEY SAY IN THE MOVIES... I MUST BE IN HEAVEN AND YOU'RE AN ANGEL!
NOT QUITE... YOU'RE IN A NAZI PRISON IN THE ANTARCTIC... AND I'M PROFESSOR DEEMS' DAUGHTER... DAD, HERE, SAYS YOU'RE THE GREAT SUB-MARINER... WE CAME HERE FROM AMERICA SIX MONTHS AGO ON A SCIENTIFIC EXPEDITION WHEN...
NOT SO GREAT... BUT THEY'LL GET IT BACK QUICK!
GOODNESS!
POP!
NO, SON... WAIT! IT'S IMPORTANT THAT YOU KNOW WHAT THEY ARE UP TO OUT THERE! WE MAY NEVER GET OUT ALIVE!
OKAY, PROFESSOR, BUT MAKE IT FAST!
VERY WELL!.. ONE MONTH AGO WE SIGHTED SIX NAZI SUBS APPROACHING FROM THE NORTH...
SO!
OHHHHH!
BANG!


SHOOT AN OLD MAN IN THE BACK WHEN HE'S TIED! WILL YOU, RATZI?
HOPE YOU ENJOY THE RIDE ...YOU PARASITE!
CALL THE RESERVES FROM THE MAIN CAVE! AIEEE!
YA!
HIGH EXPLOSIVES
T.N.T.
MUNIT
THAT'S THAT!... NOW TO CUT THE MAIN CAVE FORCES OFF!
BOOM!
T.N.T.
THIS IMPROVISED BOMB OUGHT TO SNOW THEM UNDER!
T.N.T.
WHILE THE RESULTING AVALANCHE CLOSES THE MAIN CAVE...NAMOR GATHERS MUNITIONS FOR HIS FRIENDS.
THAT SHOULD FIX THINGS FOR A WHILE! NOW TO GET BACK!
HERE! WITH THESE YOU CAN HOLD THEM OFF UNTIL I RETURN WITH MY FORCES! WE ARE OUTNUMBERED AND MORE ARE ON THEIR WAY, GOOD LUCK!
THANKS... AND PLEASE BE CAREFUL!


FEARING THE SAFETY OF HIS FRIENDS, SUB-MARINER BREAKS ALL RECORDS OF SPEED... AND IS SOON IN HIS FLAGSHIP ON THE WAY BACK!
SPARE NO POWER, CAPTAIN!
AYE! THE UNDERSEA KINGDOM OF SUB-MARINERS HEREBY DECLARES OPEN WAR ON THE AXIS!
ONE HOUR LATER...
SUBMARINES SIGHTED ON THE STARBOARD SIDE!
RIGHT! MORE CARGO SUBS!... BATTLE STATIONS!
THE WILD FURY OF VENGEANCE TAKES THE UPPER HAND AS THE DARTING CRAFT OF THE UNDERSEA KINGDOM MAKES MINCE MEAT OF THE NAZI SUBS!
A SHORT TIME LATER...
THE ENEMY IS DESTROYED, O. PRINCE! WHAT NOW?
ALL OUT ATTACK ON THE NAZI BASE IN LITTLE AMERICA!
...AND FULL SPEED AHEAD... BUT REMEMBER THIS AREA ON THE HILL MUST NOT BE TOUCHED ... UNDERSTAND?
YES, O. PRINCE! WE SHALL MAKE EVERY BOMB AND SHELL COUNT!


THE SCENE... A NAZI OBSERVATION TOWER IN THE ANTARCTIC....
ER... ARE WE EXPECTING ANY PLANES, SIR?
PLANES? ACH!... SOUND THE ALARM!
THE SUBMARINERS ATTACK THE NAZI BASE... BURYING IT BENEATH THE ICE IT HAD CONQUERED...
BLAM!
HERR, GENERAL! THEY ARE LANDING TROOPS! WE WILL BE SLAUGHTERED!
RAISE THE WHITE FLAG! WE WILL PRETEND TO SURRENDER FOR THE TIME BEING!... HURRY!
BUT BEFORE THE TREACHEROUS ORDERS CAN LEAVE THE HUT...
BOOM!
THE LAND IS OURS, O'PRINCE!
NO... THE VICTORY IS OURS... THE LAND IS STILL AMERICA'S!... GOOD WORK, GENERAL! ... NOW EXCUSE ME!
OH, DOCTOR... COME TO THE PRISON ON THE HILL WHEN YOU ARE FREE!
I AM FREE NOW, O'PRINCE! OUR CASUALITIES WERE SMALL INDEED... I COULD HAVE STAYED AT HOME!


A SHORT TIME LATER...
HERE IS THE BULLET! NATURE WILL DO THE REST!
THANKS, DOCTOR!
YOU WERE WONDERFUL PRINCE NAMOR.. WE SAW THE WHOLE SHOW!
YES! I REGAINED CONSCIOUSNESS SOON AFTER YOU LEFT! FINE STRATEGY, MY BOY!
HMM!
OH, THANK YOU, SIR... AND, AH...WHAT I REALLY CAME BACK FOR WAS TO HEAR YOUR STORY...
BOY! WOULDN'T THE GIRLS BACK HOME ENVY ME WITH HIM!
YOU WERE SAYING THEY CAPTURED YOU...
YES, AND INTENDED TO KILL US BECAUSE I HAD OVERHEARD THEIR MASTER PLAN! THEY WERE STORING AWAY WHAT MUNITIONS THEY COULD SPARE SO THEY WOULD HAVE SOMETHING TO WORK WITH IN THEIR NEXT FUTILE ATTEMPT TO RULE THE WORLD! THEIR SLOGAN IS... "HE WHO FIGHTS AND RUNS AWAY ...LIVES TO FIGHT ANOTHER DAY!" THEY MUST REALIZE THE GAME IS UP NOW!
THAT "DESTINY" IS A DISEASE... A GERM THAT MUST BE ANNIHILATED WHEN THE UNITED NATIONS SIT AS JUDGES OVER THE CONQUERED AXIS LEADERS IN THE NOT TOO DISTANT FUTURE!
WILL WE EVER MEET AGAIN, PRINCE NAMOR?
WHY NOT? LET'S MAKE IT A DATE ON THE DAY AFTER THE WAR IS WON!
WE'LL BE SEEING YOU SOON!
EVERY TIME YOU BUY A DEFENSE BOND OR STAMP BRINGS THE DAY OF VICTORY NEARER..


HUMAN TORCH
VERSUS
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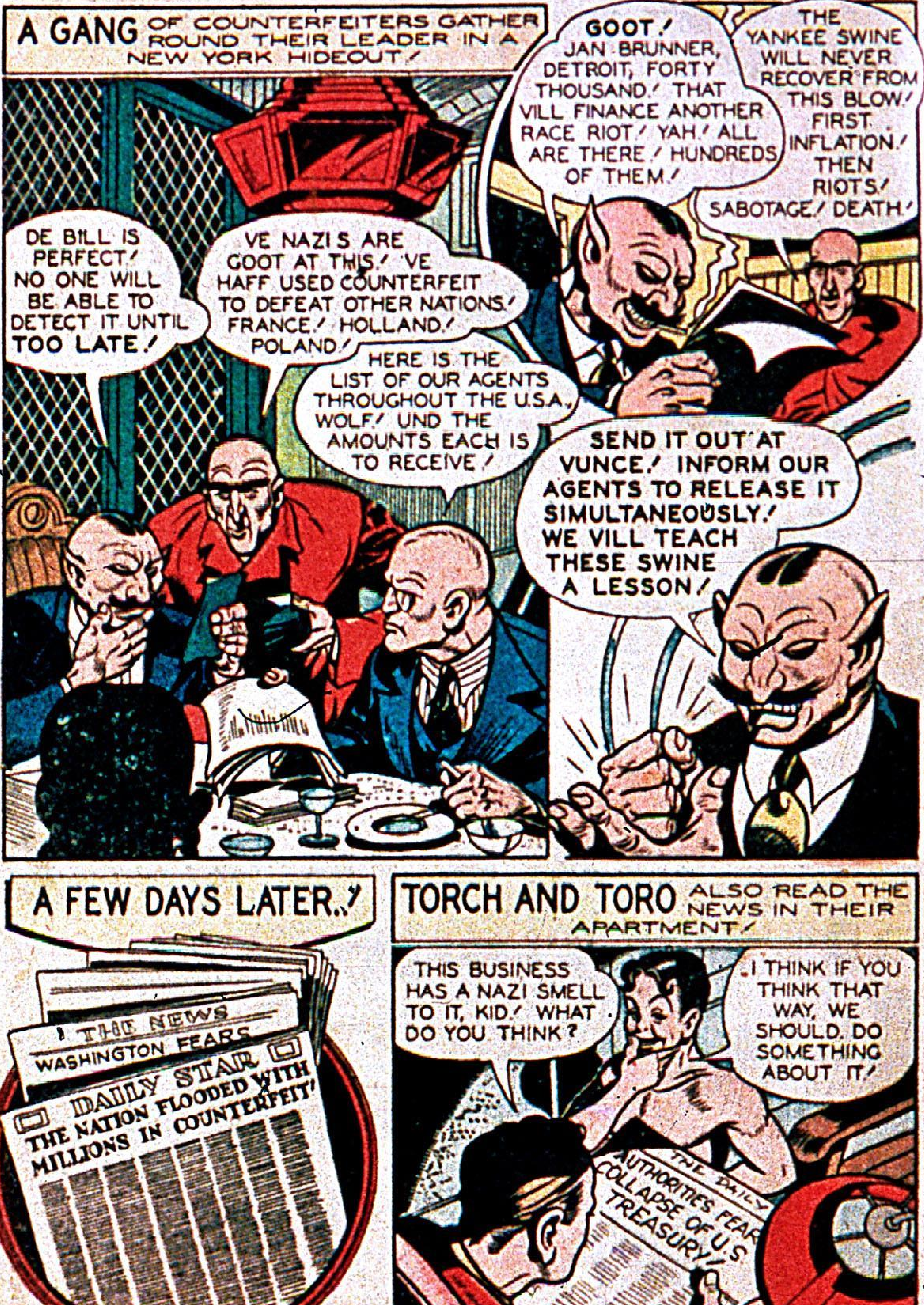
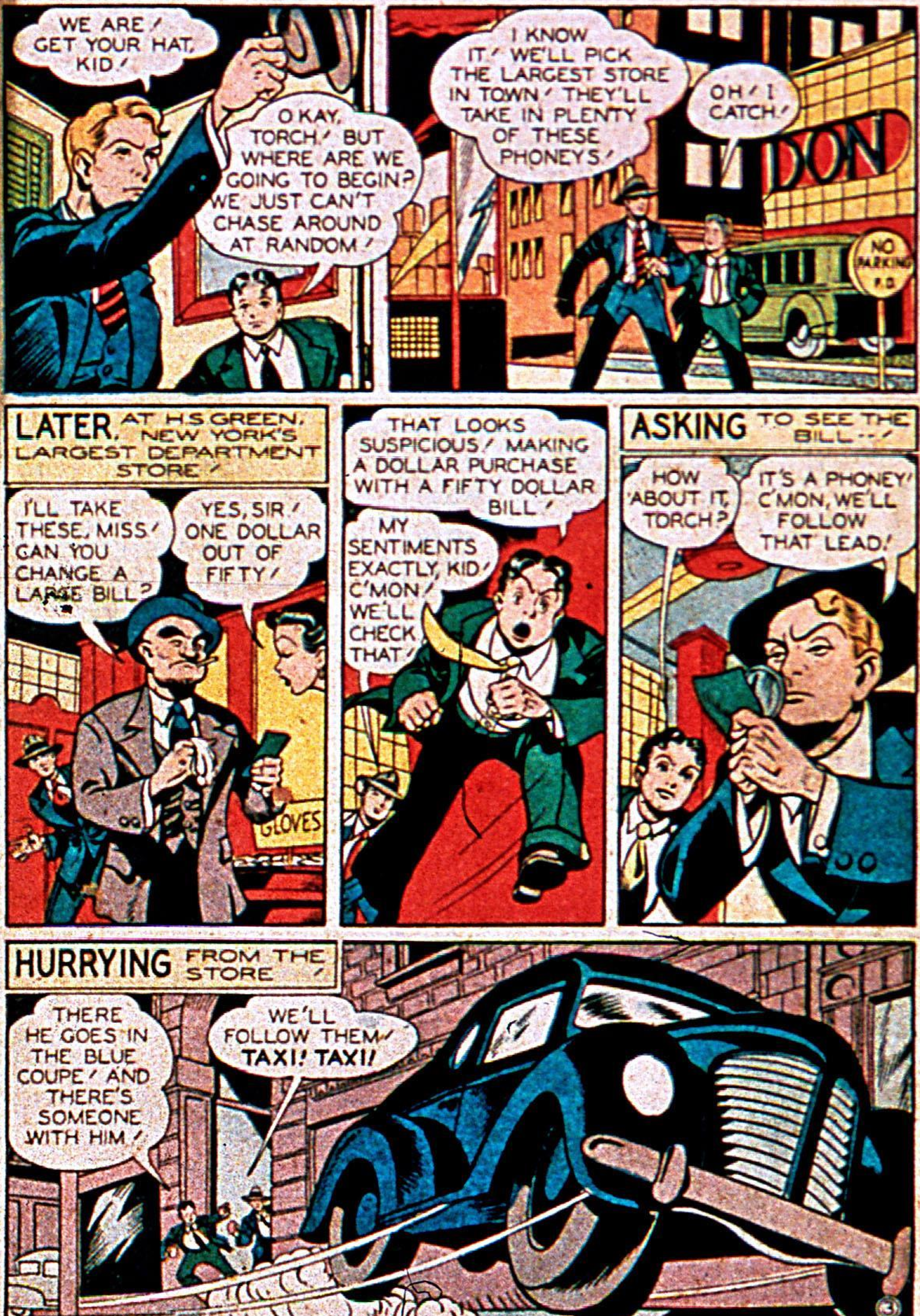
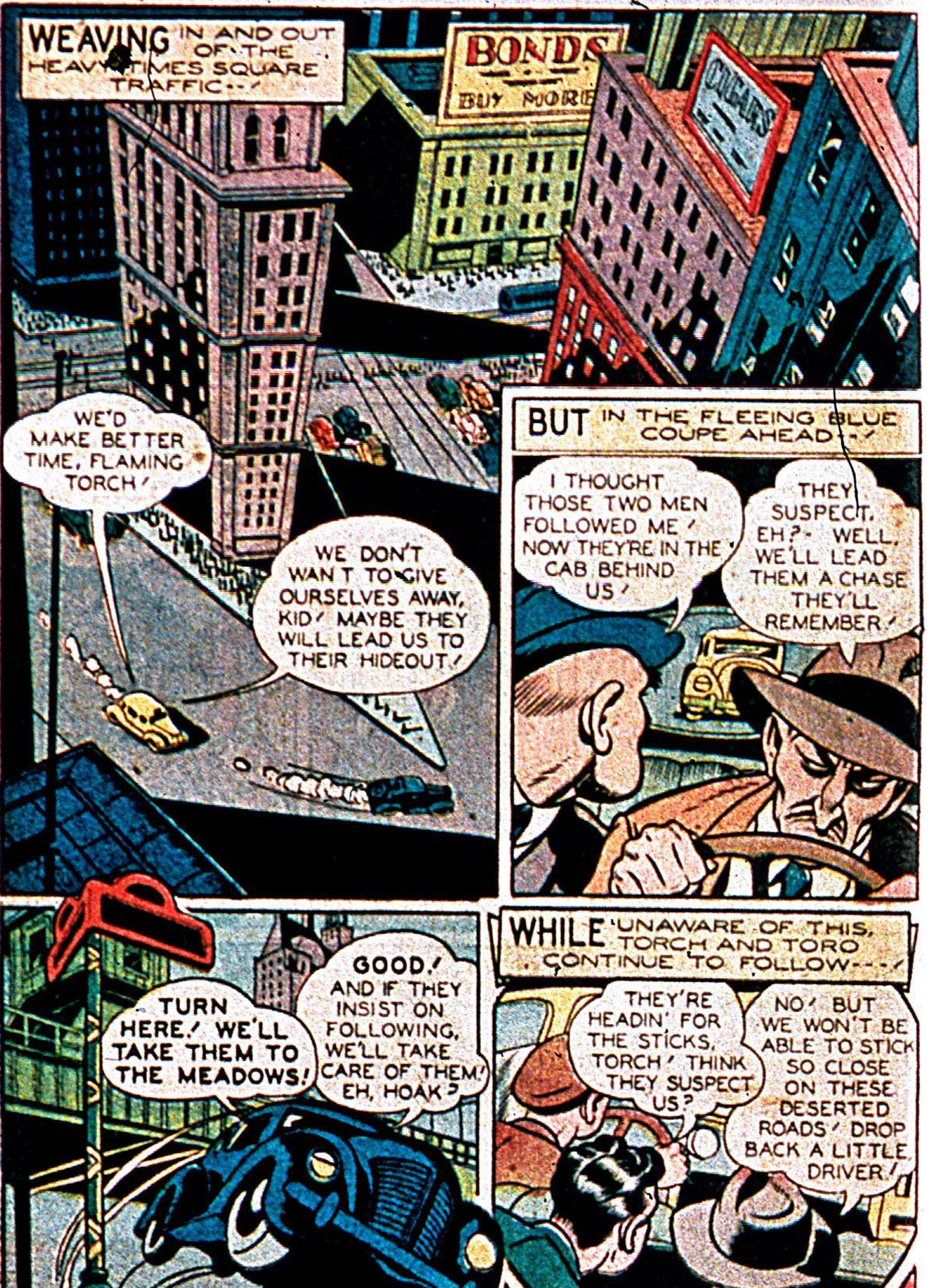
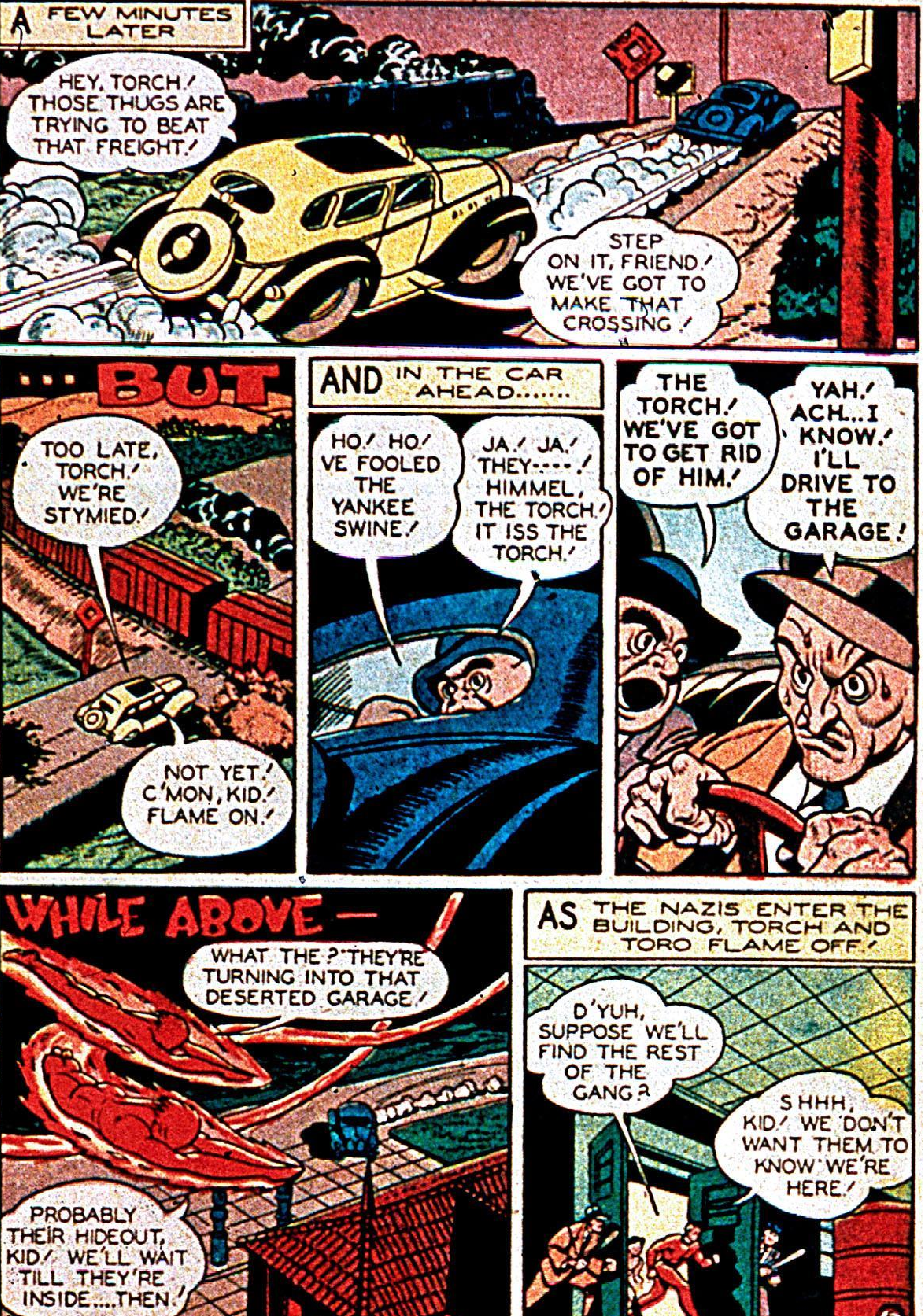
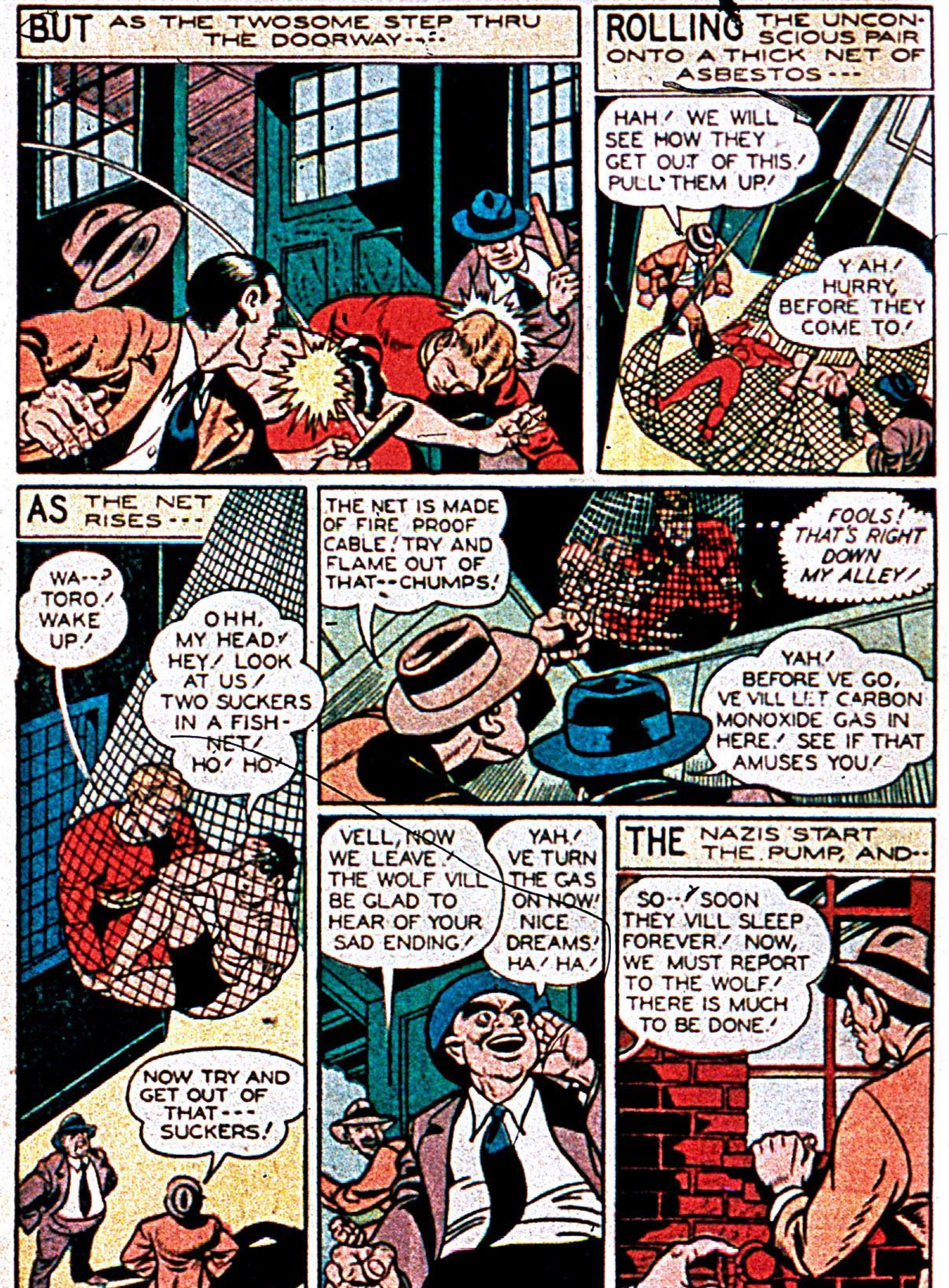
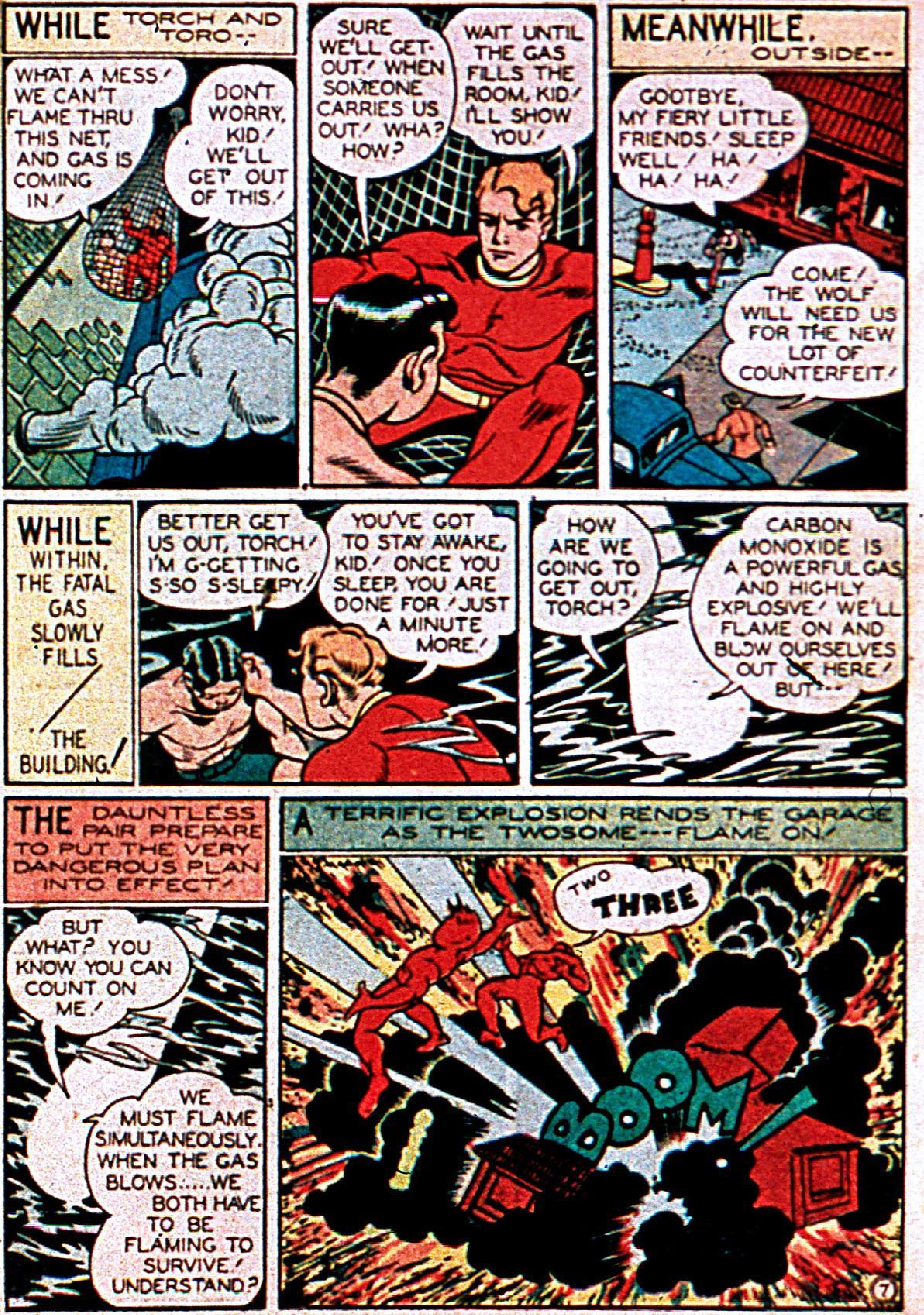

A GANG OF COUNTERFEITERS GATHER ROUND THEIR LEADER IN A NEW YORK HIDEOUT!
DE BILL IS PERFECT! NO ONE WILL BE ABLE TO DETECT IT UNTIL TOO LATE!
VE NAZIS ARE GOOT AT THIS! 'VE HAFF USED COUNTERFEIT TO DEFEAT OTHER NATIONS! FRANCE! HOLLAND! POLAND!
HERE IS THE LIST OF OUR AGENTS THROUGHOUT THE U.S.A., WOLF! UND THE AMOUNTS EACH IS TO RECEIVE!
GOOT! JAN BRUNNER, DETROIT, FORTY THOUSAND! THAT VILL FINANCE ANOTHER RACE RIOT! YAH! ALL ARE THERE! HUNDREDS OF THEM!
THE YANKEE SWINE WILL NEVER RECOVER FROM THIS BLOW! FIRST INFLATION! THEN RIOTS! SABOTAGE! DEATH!
SEND IT OUT AT VUNCE! INFORM OUR AGENTS TO RELEASE IT SIMULTANEOUSLY! WE VILL TEACH THESE SWINE A LESSON!
A FEW DAYS LATER..!
THE NEWS
WASHINGTON FEARS
DAILY STAR
THE NATION FLOODED WITH MILLIONS IN COUNTERFEIT!
TORCH AND TORO ALSO READ THE NEWS IN THEIR APARTMENT!
THIS BUSINESS HAS A NAZI SMELL TO IT, KID! WHAT DO YOU THINK?
I THINK IF YOU THINK THAT WAY, WE SHOULD DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT!
THE DAILY
AUTHORITIES FEAR COLLAPSE OF U.S TREASURY!

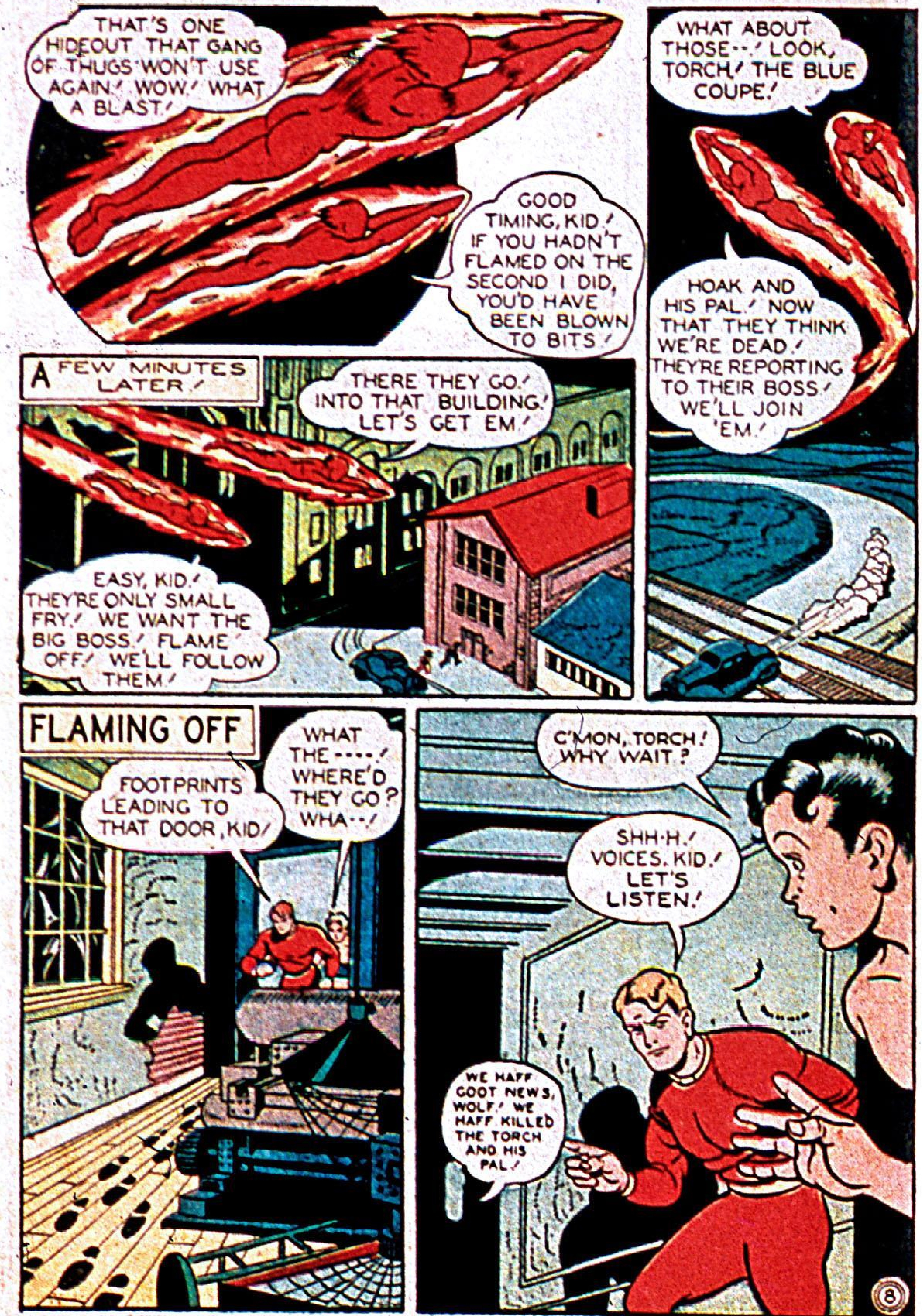

WE ARE! GET YOUR HAT, KID!
O KAY, TORCH! BUT WHERE ARE WE GOING TO BEGIN? WE JUST CAN'T CHASE AROUND AT RANDOM!
I KNOW IT! WE'LL PICK THE LARGEST STORE IN TOWN! THEY'LL TAKE IN PLENTY OF THESE PHONEYS!
OH! I CATCH!
DON
NO PARKING P.D.
LATER, AT H.S. GREEN, NEW YORK'S LARGEST DEPARTMENT STORE!
I'LL TAKE THESE, MISS! CAN YOU CHANGE A LARGE BILL?
YES, SIR! ONE DOLLAR OUT OF FIFTY!
GLOVES
THAT LOOKS SUSPICIOUS! MAKING A DOLLAR PURCHASE WITH A FIFTY DOLLAR BILL!
MY SENTIMENTS EXACTLY, KID! C'MON! WE'LL CHECK THAT!
ASKING TO SEE THE BILL--!
HOW ABOUT IT, TORCH?
IT'S A PHONEY! C'MON, WE'LL FOLLOW THAT LEAD!
HURRYING FROM THE STORE!
THERE HE GOES IN THE BLUE COUPE! AND THERE'S SOMEONE WITH HIM!
WE'LL FOLLOW THEM! TAXI! TAXI!


WEAVING IN AND OUT OF THE HEAVY TIMES SQUARE TRAFFIC--!
BONDS
BUY MORE
CIGARS
WE'D MAKE BETTER TIME, FLAMING TORCH!
WE DON'T WANT TO GIVE OURSELVES AWAY, KID! MAYBE THEY WILL LEAD US TO THEIR HIDEOUT!
BUT IN THE FLEEING BLUE COUPE AHEAD--!
I THOUGHT THOSE TWO MEN FOLLOWED ME! NOW THEY'RE IN THE CAB BEHIND US!
THEY SUSPECT, EH?- WELL, WE'LL LEAD THEM A CHASE THEY'LL REMEMBER!
TURN HERE! WE'LL TAKE THEM TO THE MEADOWS!
GOOD! AND IF THEY INSIST ON FOLLOWING, WE'LL TAKE CARE OF THEM! EH, HOAK?
WHILE UNAWARE OF THIS, TORCH AND TORO CONTINUE TO FOLLOW---!
THEY'RE HEADIN' FOR THE STICKS, TORCH! THINK THEY SUSPECT US?
NO! BUT WE WON'T BE ABLE TO STICK SO CLOSE ON THESE DESERTED ROADS! DROP BACK A LITTLE, DRIVER!


A FEW MINUTES LATER
HEY, TORCH! THOSE THUGS ARE TRYING TO BEAT THAT FREIGHT!
STEP ON IT, FRIEND! WE'VE GOT TO MAKE THAT CROSSING!
...BUT
TOO LATE, TORCH! WE'RE STYMIED!
NOT YET! C'MON, KID! FLAME ON!
AND IN THE CAR AHEAD......
HO! HO! VE FOOLED THE YANKEE SWINE!
JA! JA! THEY----! HIMMEL, THE TORCH! IT ISS THE TORCH!
THE TORCH! WE'VE GOT TO GET RID OF HIM!
YAH! ACH...I KNOW! I'LL DRIVE TO THE GARAGE!
WHILE ABOVE—
WHAT THE? THEY'RE TURNING INTO THAT DESERTED GARAGE!
PROBABLY THEIR HIDEOUT, KID! WE'LL WAIT TILL THEY'RE INSIDE....THEN!
AS THE NAZIS ENTER THE BUILDING, TORCH AND TORO FLAME OFF!
D'YUH, SUPPOSE WE'LL FIND THE REST OF THE GANG?
SHHH, KID! WE DON'T WANT THEM TO KNOW WE'RE HERE!


BUT AS THE TWOSOME STEP THRU THE DOORWAY---
ROLLING THE UNCONSCIOUS PAIR ONTO A THICK NET OF ASBESTOS---
HAH! WE WILL SEE HOW THEY GET OUT OF THIS! PULL THEM UP!
YAH! HURRY, BEFORE THEY COME TO!
AS THE NET RISES---
WA--? TORO! WAKE UP!
OHH, MY HEAD! HEY! LOOK AT US! TWO SUCKERS IN A FISH-NET! HO! HO!
NOW TRY AND GET OUT OF THAT---SUCKERS!
THE NET IS MADE OF FIRE PROOF CABLE! TRY AND FLAME OUT OF THAT--CHUMPS!
FOOLS! THAT'S RIGHT DOWN MY ALLEY!
YAH! BEFORE VE GO, VE VILL LET CARBON MONOXIDE GAS IN HERE! SEE IF THAT AMUSES YOU!
VELL, NOW WE LEAVE! THE WOLF VILL BE GLAD TO HEAR OF YOUR SAD ENDING!
YAH! VE TURN THE GAS ON NOW! NICE DREAMS! HA! HA!
THE NAZIS START THE PUMP, AND--
SO--! SOON THEY VILL SLEEP FOREVER! NOW, WE MUST REPORT TO THE WOLF! THERE IS MUCH TO BE DONE!


WHILE TORCH AND TORO--
WHAT A MESS! WE CAN'T FLAME THRU THIS NET, AND GAS IS COMING IN!
DON'T WORRY, KID! WE'LL GET OUT OF THIS!
SURE WE'LL GET OUT! WHEN SOMEONE CARRIES US OUT! WHA? HOW?
WAIT UNTIL THE GAS FILLS THE ROOM, KID! I'LL SHOW YOU!
MEANWHILE, OUTSIDE--
GOOTBYE, MY FIERY LITTLE FRIENDS! SLEEP WELL! HA! HA! HA!
COME! THE WOLF WILL NEED US FOR THE NEW LOT OF COUNTERFEIT!
WHILE WITHIN, THE FATAL GAS SLOWLY FILLS THE BUILDING!
BETTER GET US OUT, TORCH! I'M G-GETTING S-SO S-SLEEPY!
YOU'VE GOT TO STAY AWAKE, KID! ONCE YOU SLEEP, YOU ARE DONE FOR! JUST A MINUTE MORE!
HOW ARE WE GOING TO GET OUT, TORCH?
CARBON MONOXIDE IS A POWERFUL GAS AND HIGHLY EXPLOSIVE! WE'LL FLAME ON AND BLOW OURSELVES OUT OF HERE! BUT---
THE DAUNTLESS PAIR PREPARE TO PUT THE VERY DANGEROUS PLAN INTO EFFECT!
BUT ...WHAT? YOU KNOW YOU CAN COUNT ON ME!
WE MUST FLAME SIMULTANEOUSLY. WHEN THE GAS BLOWS.....WE BOTH HAVE TO BE FLAMING TO SURVIVE! UNDERSTAND?
A TERRIFIC EXPLOSION RENDS THE GARAGE AS THE TWOSOME---FLAME ON!
TWO
THREE
BOOOM


THAT'S ONE HIDEOUT THAT GANG OF THUGS WON'T USE AGAIN! WOW! WHAT A BLAST!
GOOD TIMING, KID! IF YOU HADN'T FLAMED ON THE SECOND I DID, YOU'D HAVE BEEN BLOWN TO BITS!
WHAT ABOUT THOSE--! LOOK, TORCH! THE BLUE COUPE!
HOAK AND HIS PAL! NOW THAT THEY THINK WE'RE DEAD! THEY'RE REPORTING TO THEIR BOSS! WE'LL JOIN 'EM!
A FEW MINUTES LATER!
THERE THEY GO! INTO THAT BUILDING! LET'S GET EM!
EASY, KID! THEY'RE ONLY SMALL FRY! WE WANT THE BIG BOSS! FLAME OFF! WE'LL FOLLOW THEM!
FLAMING OFF
WHAT THE ----! WHERE'D THEY GO? WHA--!
FOOTPRINTS LEADING TO THAT DOOR, KID!
C'MON, TORCH! WHY WAIT?
SHH-H! VOICES, KID! LET'S LISTEN!
WE HAFF GOOT NEWS, WOLF! WE HAFF KILLED THE TORCH AND HIS PAL!
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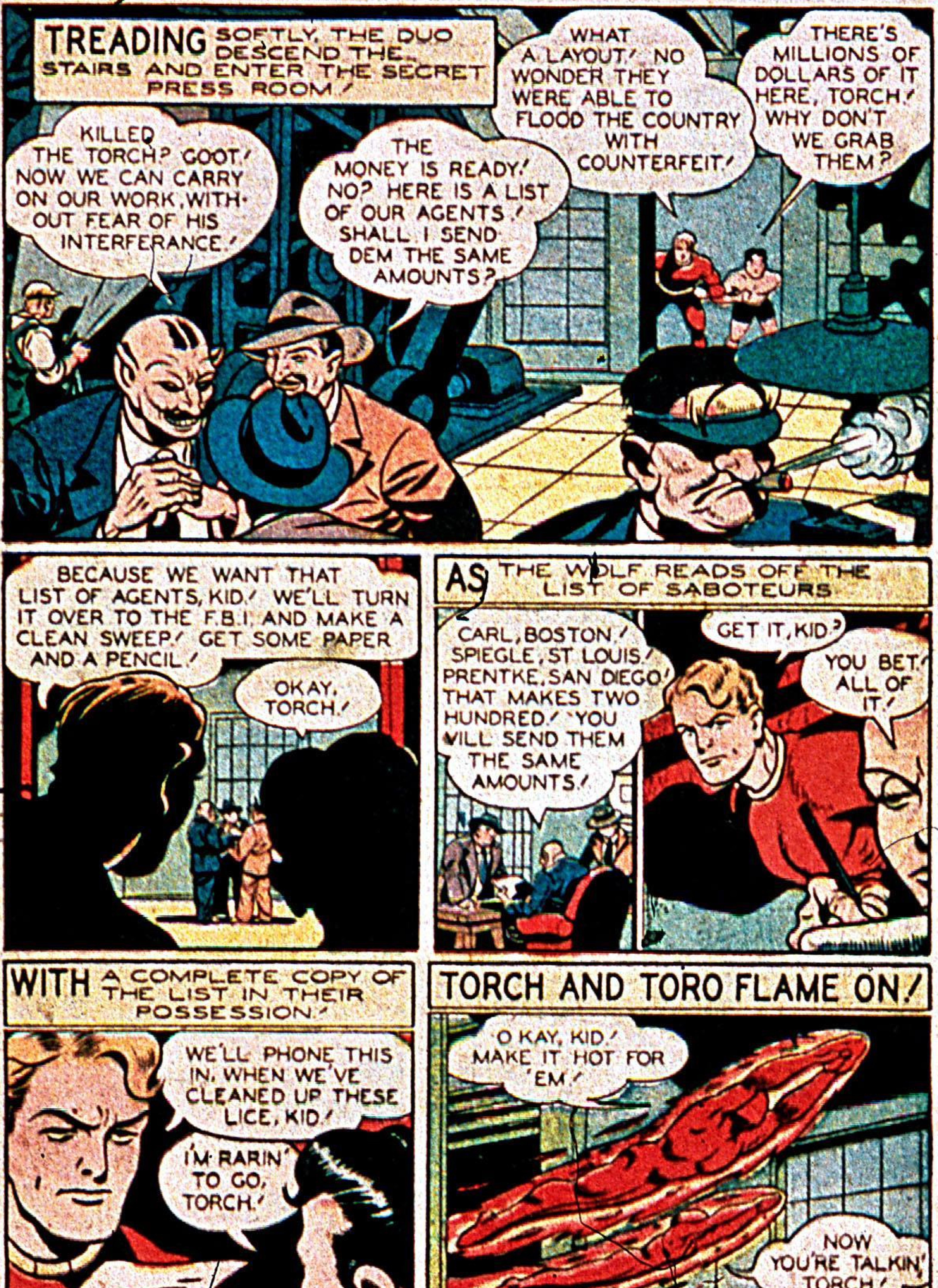
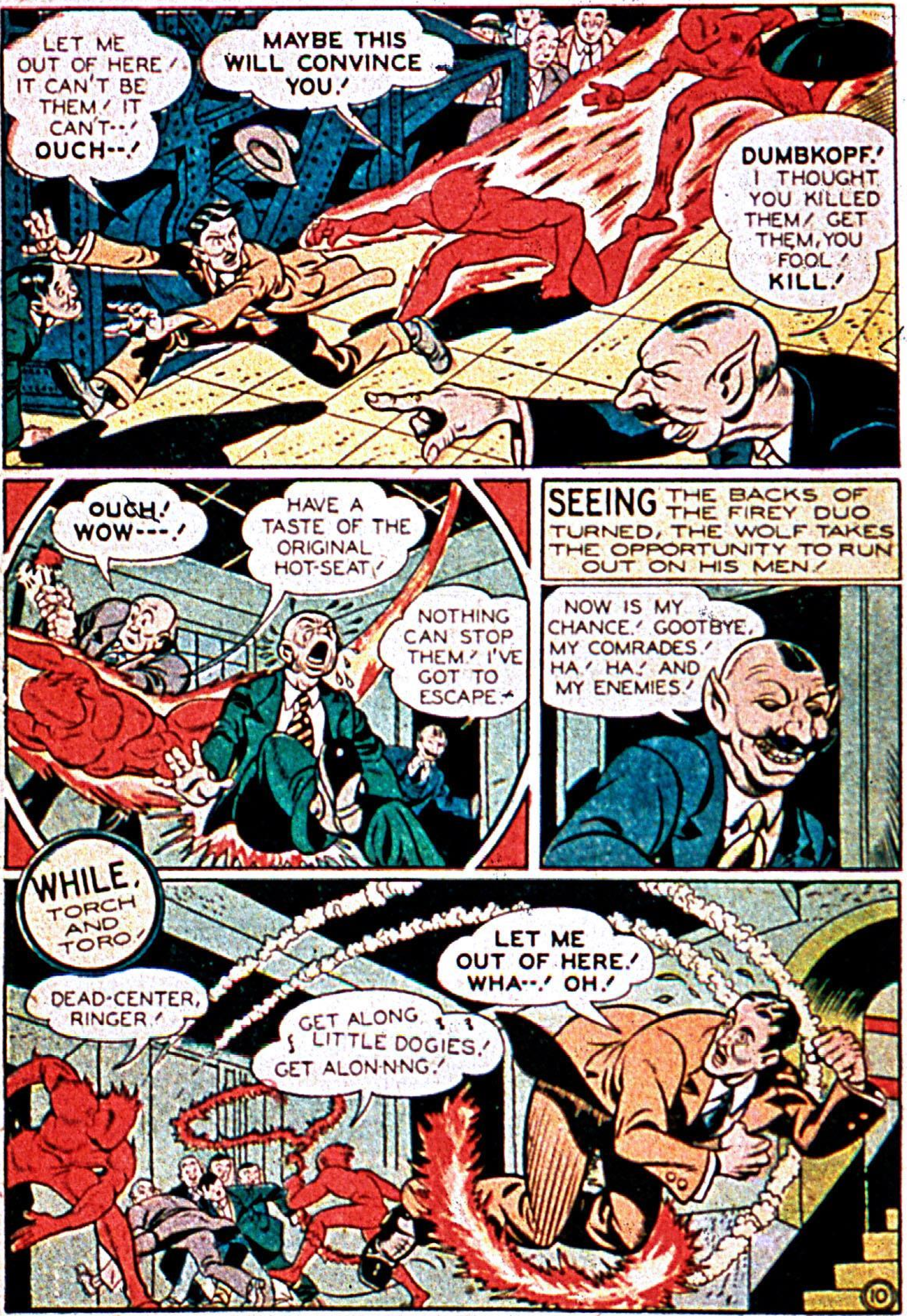
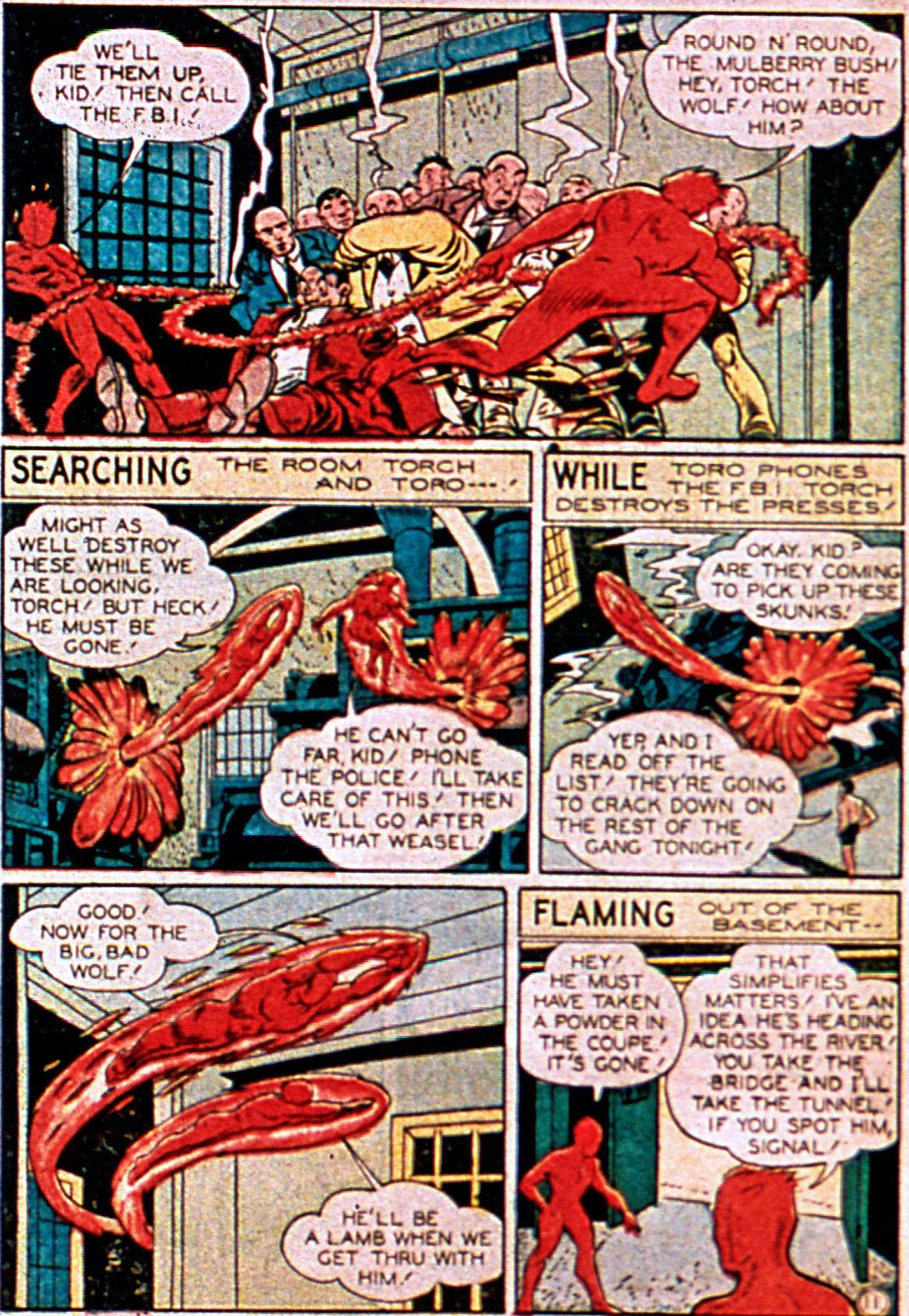
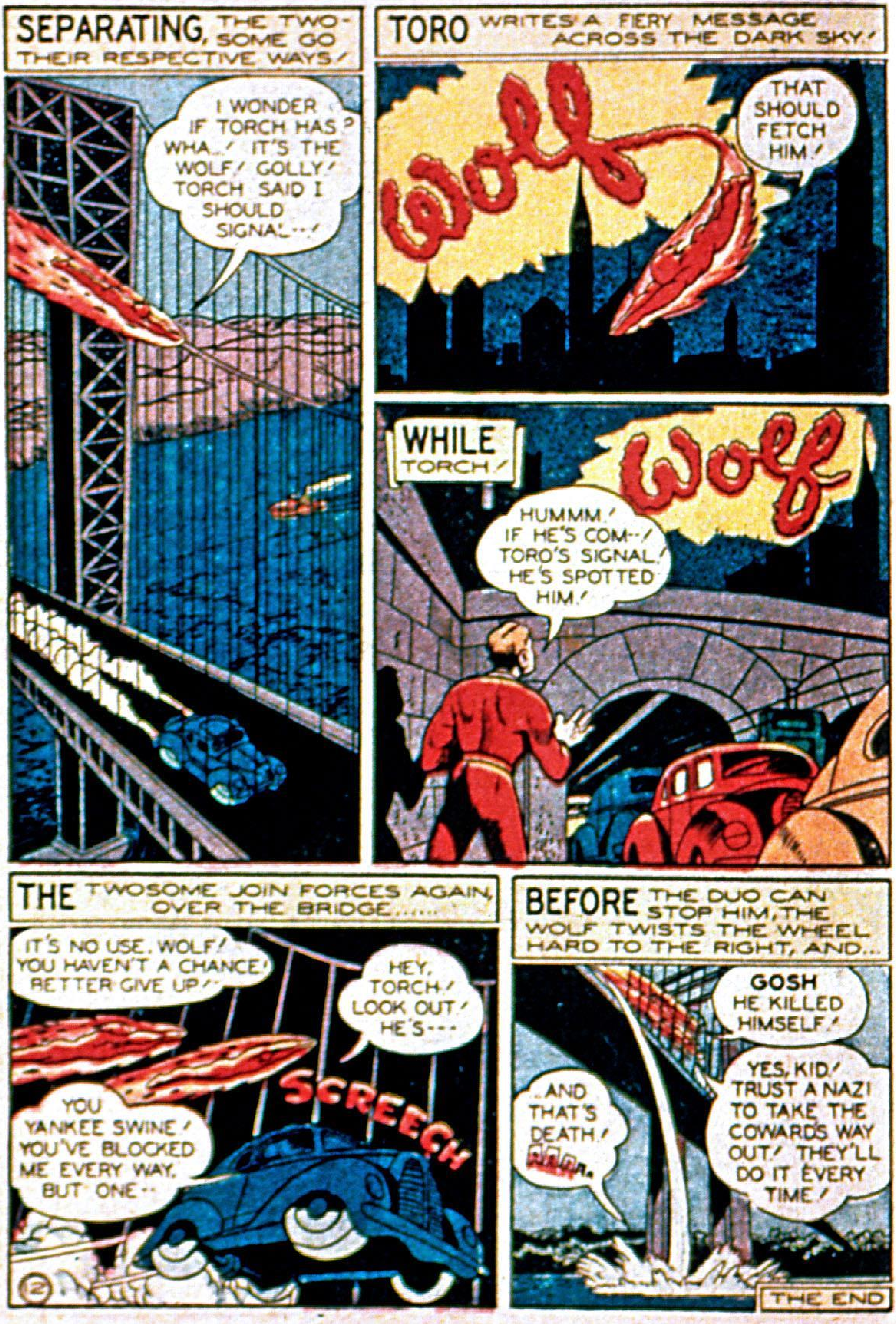
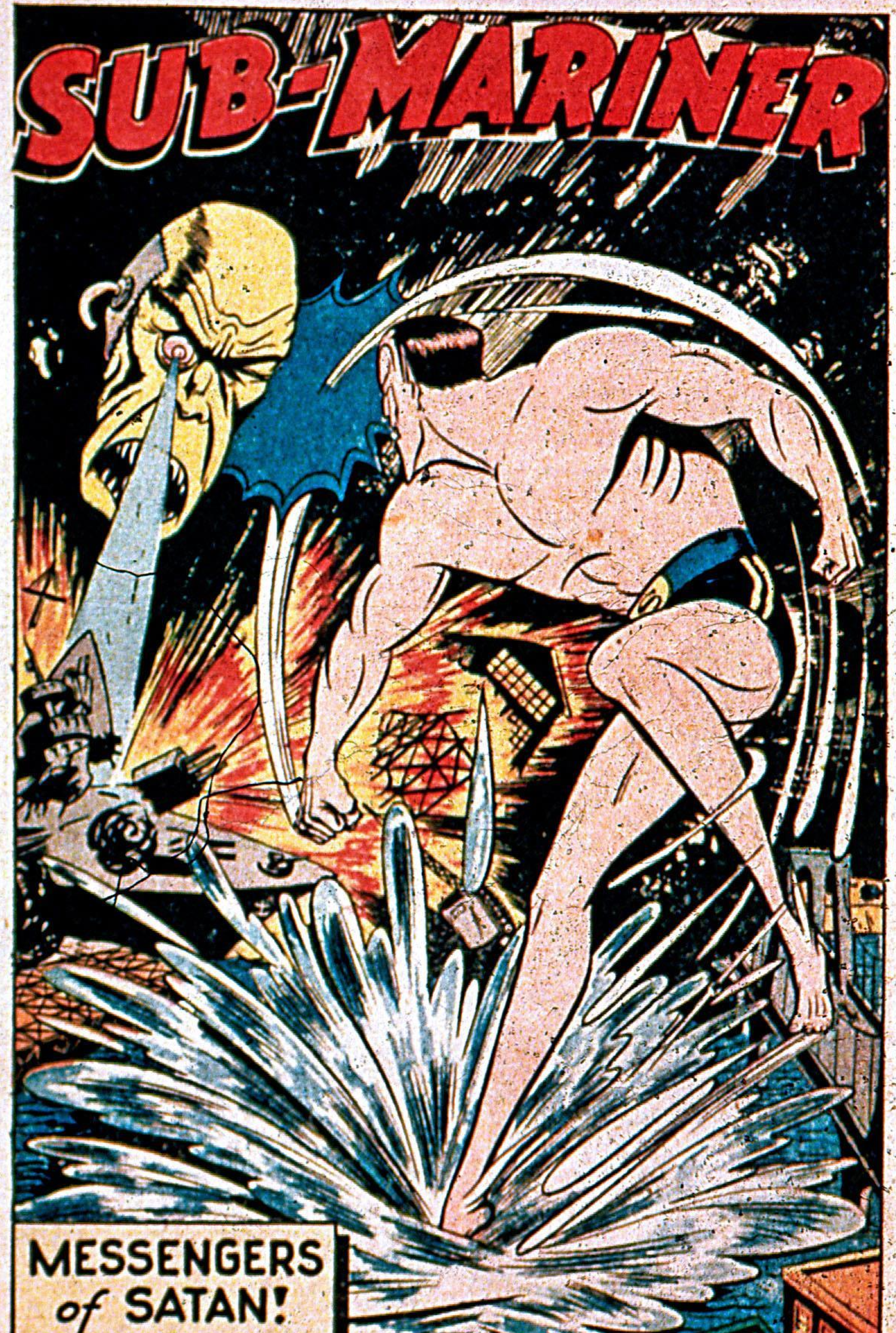
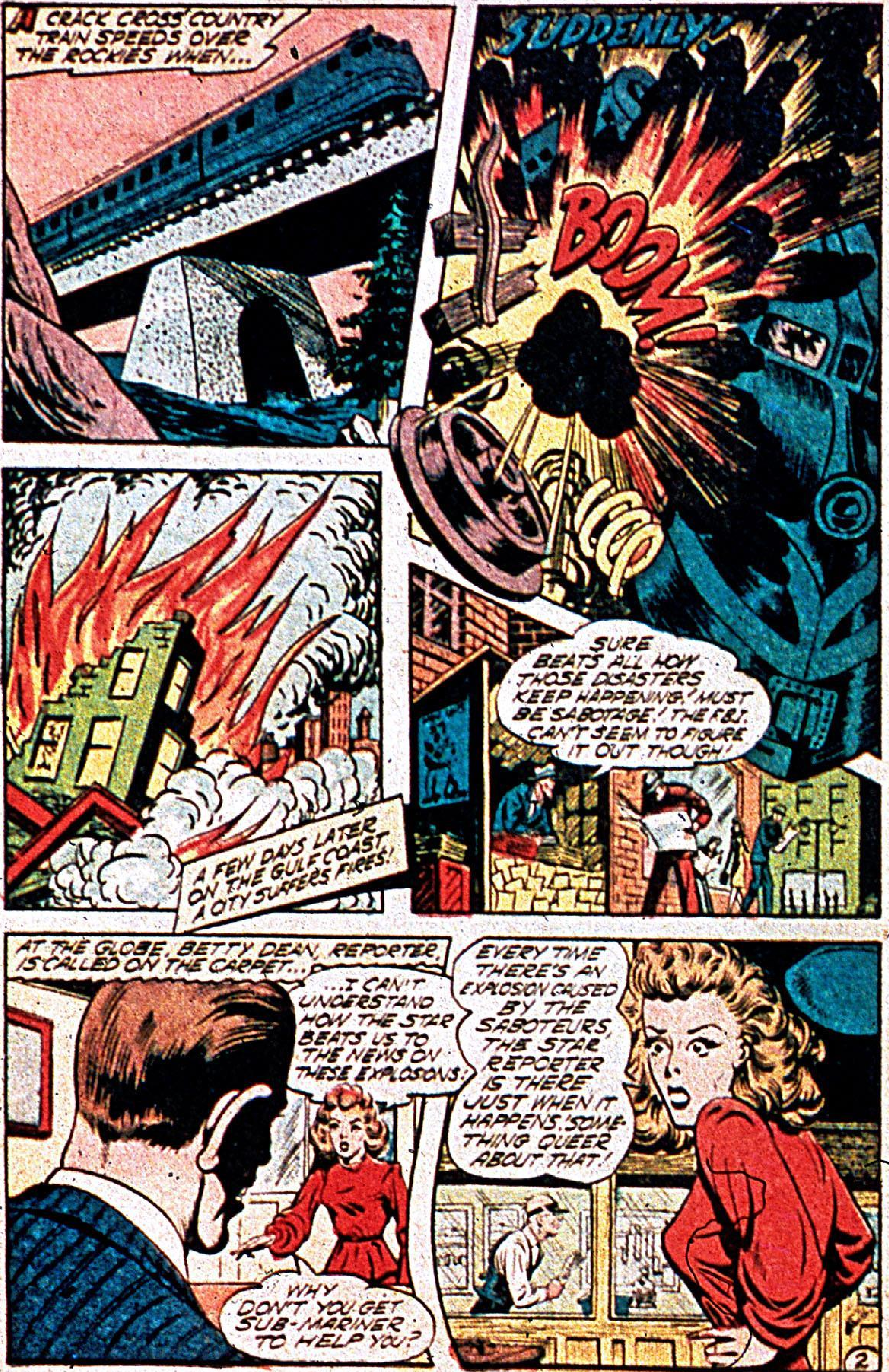

TREADING SOFTLY, THE DUO DESCEND THE STAIRS AND ENTER THE SECRET PRESS ROOM!
KILLED THE TORCH? GOOT! NOW WE CAN CARRY ON OUR WORK, WITHOUT FEAR OF HIS INTERFERANCE!
THE MONEY IS READY! NO? HERE IS A LIST OF OUR AGENTS! SHALL I SEND DEM THE SAME AMOUNTS?
WHAT A LAYOUT! NO WONDER THEY WERE ABLE TO FLOOD THE COUNTRY WITH COUNTERFEIT!
THERE'S MILLIONS OF DOLLARS OF IT HERE, TORCH! WHY DON'T WE GRAB THEM?
BECAUSE WE WANT THAT LIST OF AGENTS, KID! WE'LL TURN IT OVER TO THE F.B.I. AND MAKE A CLEAN SWEEP! GET SOME PAPER AND A PENCIL!
OKAY, TORCH!
AS THE WOLF READS OFF THE LIST OF SABOTEURS
CARL, BOSTON! SPIEGLE, ST LOUIS! PRENTKE, SAN DIEGO! THAT MAKES TWO HUNDRED! YOU VILL SEND THEM THE SAME AMOUNTS!
GET IT, KID?
YOU BET! ALL OF IT!
WITH A COMPLETE COPY OF THE LIST IN THEIR POSSESSION!
WE'LL PHONE THIS IN, WHEN WE'VE CLEANED UP THESE LICE, KID!
I'M RARIN' TO GO, TORCH!
TORCH AND TORO FLAME ON!
O KAY, KID! MAKE IT HOT FOR 'EM!
NOW YOU'RE TALKIN' TORCH!

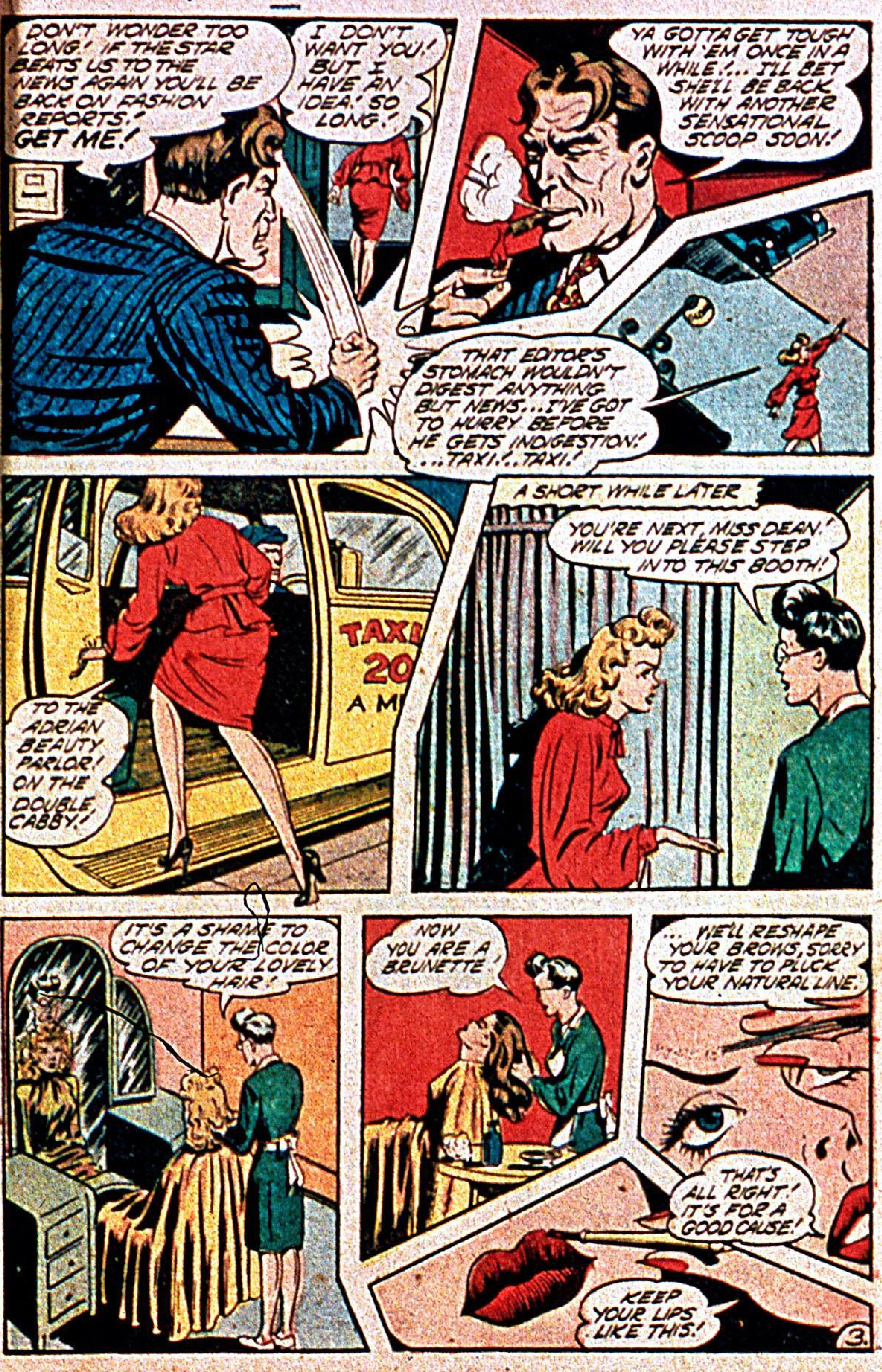

LET ME OUT OF HERE! IT CAN'T BE THEM! IT CAN'T--! OUCH--!
MAYBE THIS WILL CONVINCE YOU!
DUMBKOPF! I THOUGHT YOU KILLED THEM! GET THEM, YOU FOOL! KILL!
OUCH! WOW---!
HAVE A TASTE OF THE ORIGINAL HOT-SEAT!
NOTHING CAN STOP THEM! I'VE GOT TO ESCAPE-
SEEING THE BACKS OF THE FIREY DUO TURNED, THE WOLF TAKES THE OPPORTUNITY TO RUN OUT ON HIS MEN!
NOW IS MY CHANCE! GOOTBYE, MY COMRADES! HA! HA! AND MY ENEMIES!
WHILE, TORCH AND TORO!
DEAD-CENTER, RINGER!
LET ME OUT OF HERE! WHA--! OH!
GET ALONG LITTLE DOGIES! GET ALON-NNG!


WE'LL TIE THEM UP, KID! THEN CALL THE F.B.I.!
ROUND N' ROUND, THE MULBERRY BUSH! HEY, TORCH! THE WOLF! HOW ABOUT HIM?
SEARCHING THE ROOM TORCH AND TORO---!
MIGHT AS WELL DESTROY THESE WHILE WE ARE LOOKING, TORCH! BUT HECK! HE MUST BE GONE!
HE CAN'T GO FAR, KID! PHONE THE POLICE! I'LL TAKE CARE OF THIS! THEN WE'LL GO AFTER THAT WEASEL!
WHILE TORO PHONES THE F.B.I. TORCH DESTROYS THE PRESSES!
OKAY, KID? ARE THEY COMING TO PICK UP THESE SKUNKS!
YEP, AND I READ OFF THE LIST! THEY'RE GOING TO CRACK DOWN ON THE REST OF THE GANG TONIGHT!
GOOD! NOW FOR THE BIG, BAD WOLF!
HE'LL BE A LAMB WHEN WE GET THRU WITH HIM!
FLAMING OUT OF THE BASEMENT--
HEY! HE MUST HAVE TAKEN A POWDER IN THE COUPE! IT'S GONE!
THAT SIMPLIFIES MATTERS! I'VE AN IDEA HE'S HEADING ACROSS THE RIVER! YOU TAKE THE BRIDGE AND I'LL TAKE THE TUNNEL! IF YOU SPOT HIM, SIGNAL!


SEPARATING, THE TWOSOME GO THEIR RESPECTIVE WAYS!
I WONDER IF TORCH HAS? WHA..! IT'S THE WOLF! GOLLY! TORCH SAID I SHOULD SIGNAL--!
TORO WRITES A FIERY MESSAGE ACROSS THE DARK SKY!
Wolf
THAT SHOULD FETCH HIM!
WHILE TORCH!
Wolf
HUMMM! IF HE'S COM--! TORO'S SIGNAL! HE'S SPOTTED HIM!
THE TWOSOME JOIN FORCES AGAIN, OVER THE BRIDGE......
IT'S NO USE, WOLF! YOU HAVEN'T A CHANCE! BETTER GIVE UP!
HEY, TORCH! LOOK OUT! HE'S---
YOU YANKEE SWINE! YOU'VE BLOCKED ME EVERY WAY, BUT ONE--
SCREECH
BEFORE THE DUO CAN STOP HIM, THE WOLF TWISTS THE WHEEL HARD TO THE RIGHT, AND...
..AND THAT'S DEATH!
GOSH HE KILLED HIMSELF!
YES, KID! TRUST A NAZI TO TAKE THE COWARDS WAY OUT! THEY'LL DO IT EVERY TIME!
THE END


SUB-MARINER
MESSENGERS of SATAN!


A CRACK CROSS COUNTRY TRAIN SPEEDS OVER THE ROCKIES WHEN...
SUDDENLY!
BOOM!
A FEW DAYS LATER ON THE GULF COAST A CITY SUFFERS FIRES!
SURE BEATS ALL HOW THOSE DISASTERS KEEP HAPPENING! MUST BE SABOTAGE! THE F.B.I. CAN'T SEEM TO FIGURE IT OUT THOUGH!
AT THE GLOBE, BETTY DEAN, REPORTER, IS CALLED ON THE CARPET...
...I CAN'T UNDERSTAND HOW THE STAR BEATS US TO THE NEWS ON THESE EXPLOSONS!
WHY DON'T YOU GET SUB-MARINER TO HELP YOU?
EVERY TIME THERE'S AN EXPLOSION CAUSED BY THE SABOTEURS, THE STAR REPORTER IS THERE JUST WHEN IT HAPPENS! SOMETHING QUEER ABOUT THAT!


DON'T WONDER TOO LONG! IF THE STAR BEATS US TO THE NEWS AGAIN YOU'LL BE BACK ON FASHION REPORTS! GET ME!
I DON'T WANT YOU! BUT I HAVE AN IDEA! SO LONG!
YA GOTTA GET TOUGH WITH 'EM ONCE IN A WHILE!.. I'LL BET SHE'LL BE BACK WITH ANOTHER SENSATIONAL SCOOP SOON!
THAT EDITOR'S STOMACH WOULDN'T DIGEST ANYTHING BUT NEWS...I'VE GOT TO HURRY BEFORE HE GETS INDIGESTION! ...TAXI!..TAXI!
TAXI 20 A M
TO THE ADRIAN BEAUTY PARLOR! ON THE DOUBLE, CABBY!
A SHORT WHILE LATER
YOU'RE NEXT, MISS DEAN! WILL YOU PLEASE STEP INTO THIS BOOTH!
IT'S A SHAME TO CHANGE THE COLOR OF YOUR LOVELY HAIR!
NOW YOU ARE A BRUNETTE
... WE'LL RESHAPE YOUR BROWS, SORRY TO HAVE TO PLUCK YOUR NATURAL LINE.
THAT'S ALL RIGHT! IT'S FOR A GOOD CAUSE!
KEEP YOUR LIPS LIKE THIS!
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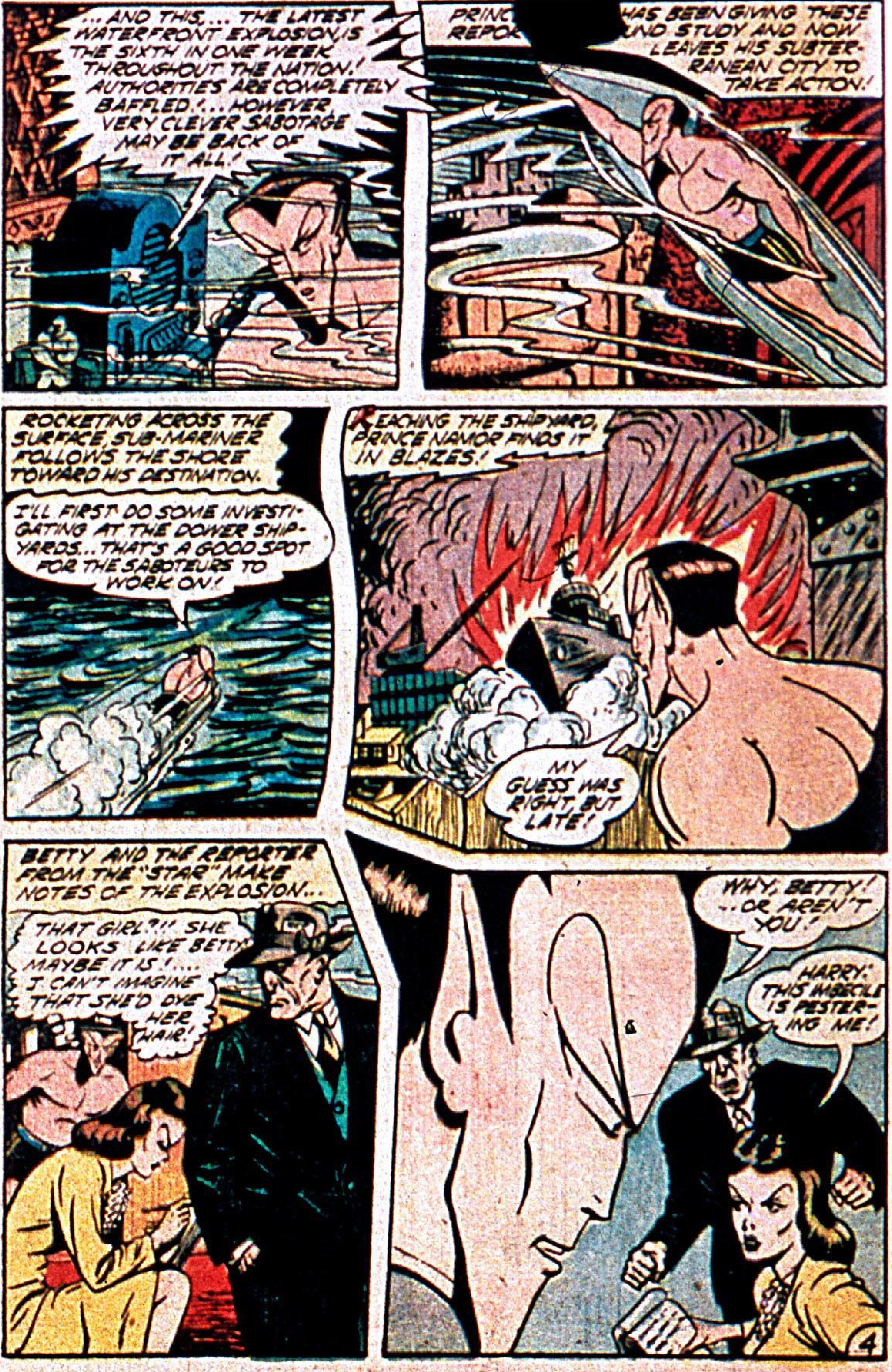
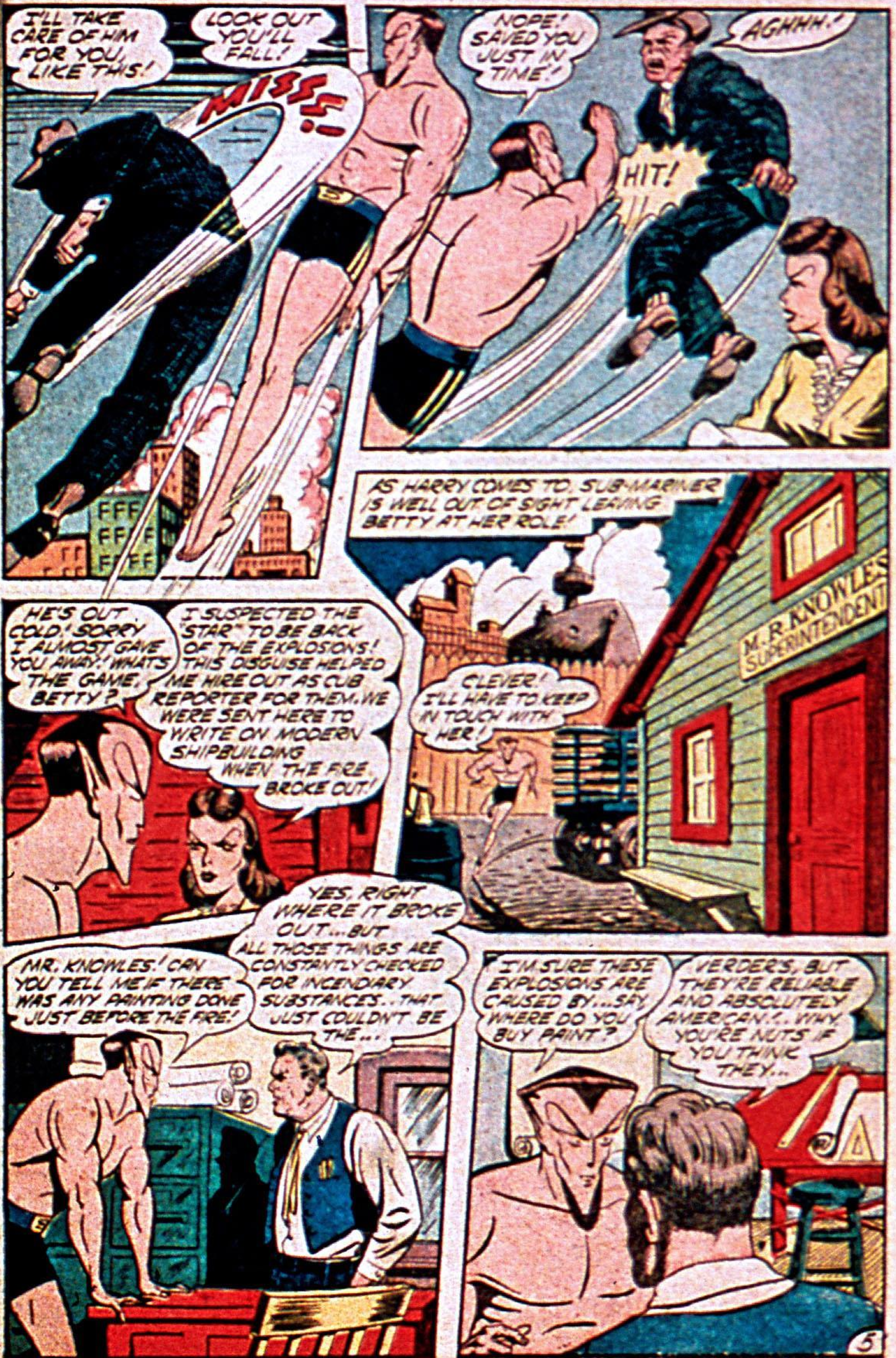
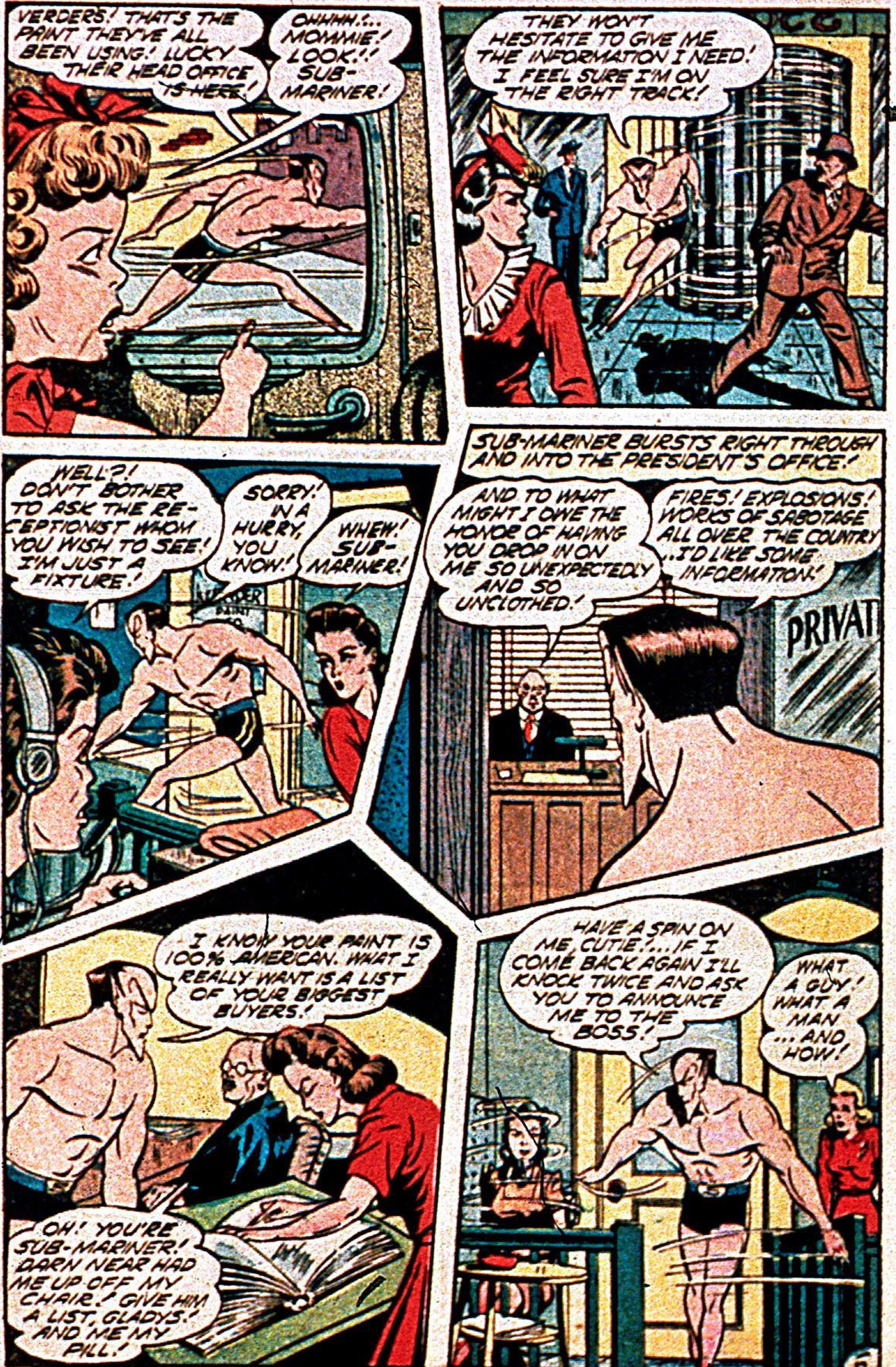
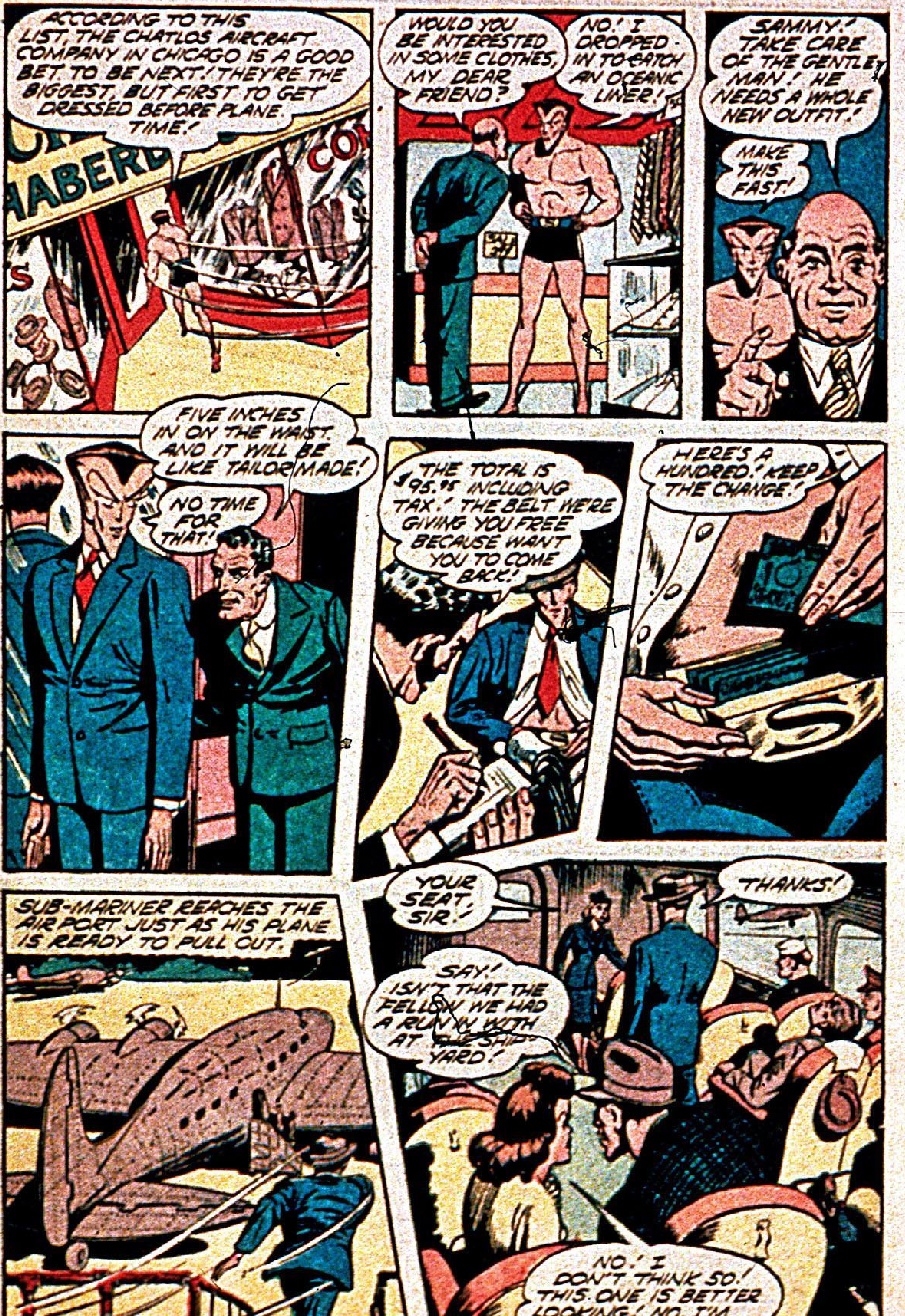
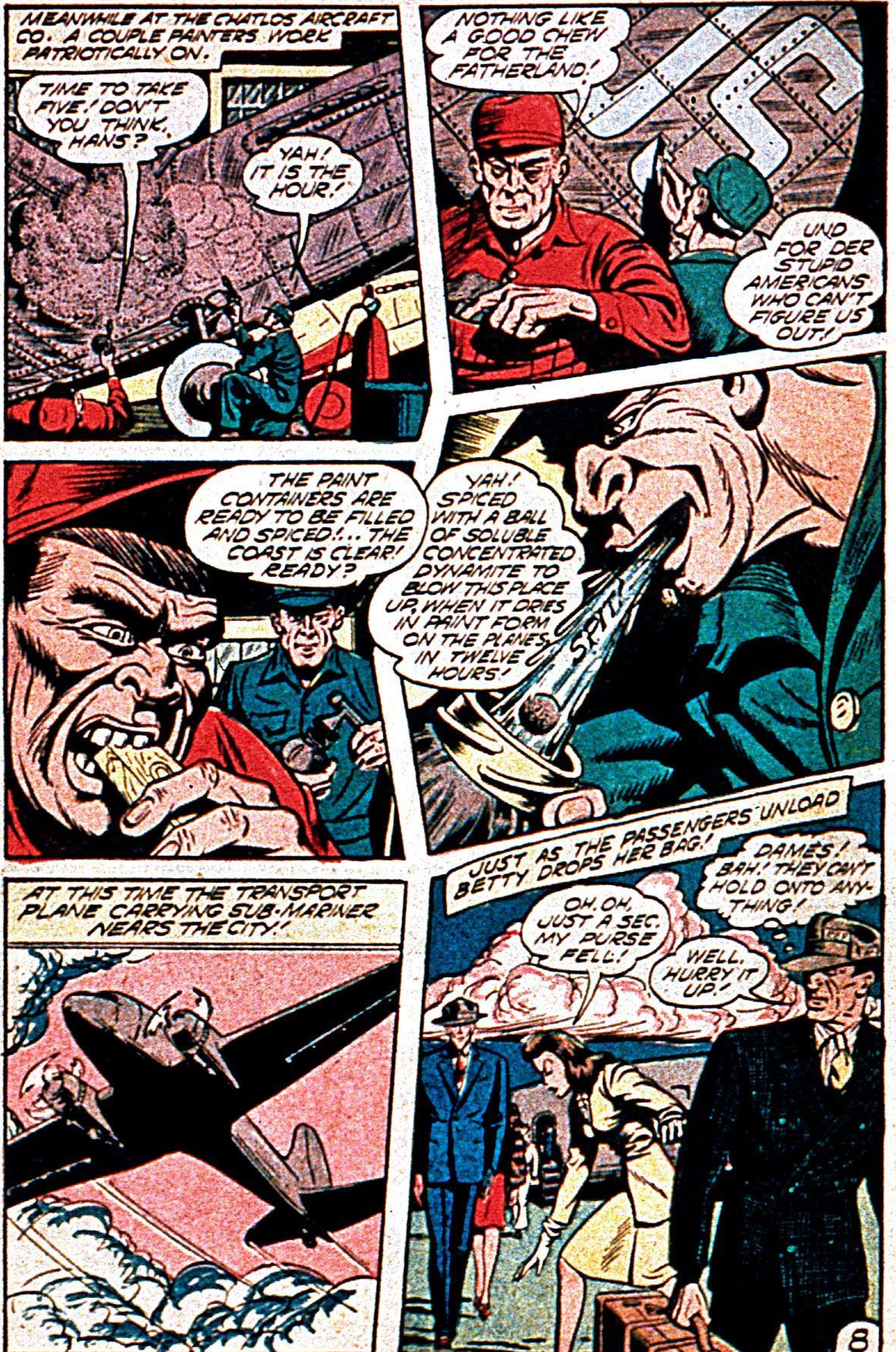
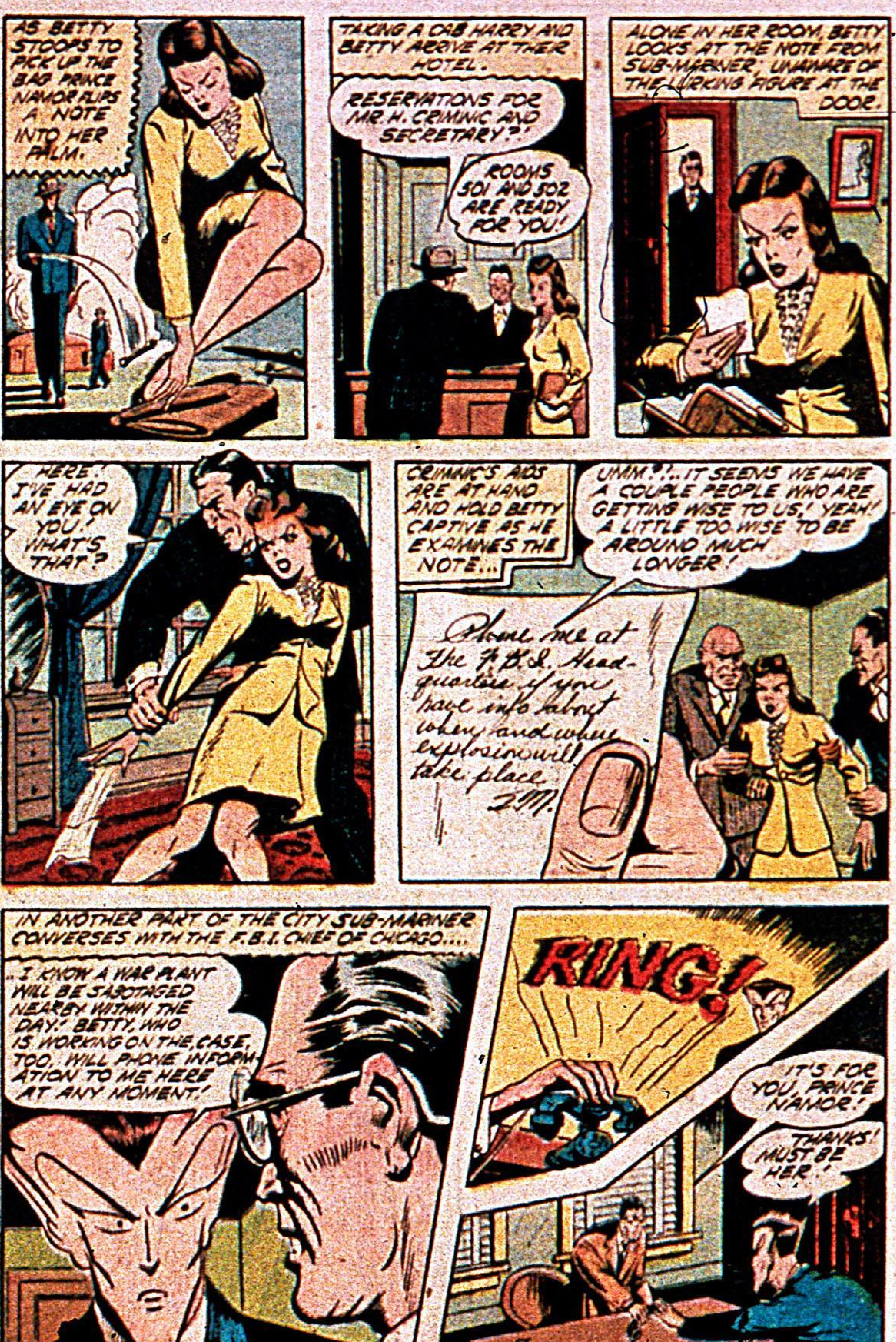

...AND THIS, ... THE LATEST WATERFRONT EXPLOSION, IS THE SIXTH IN ONE WEEK THROUGHOUT THE NATION! AUTHORITIES ARE COMPLETELY BAFFLED! ... HOWEVER VERY CLEVER SABOTAGE MAY BE BACK OF IT ALL!
PRINC [redacted] HAS BEEN GIVING THESE REPOR UND STUDY AND NOW LEAVES HIS SUBTERRANEAN CITY TO TAKE ACTION!
ROCKETING ACROSS THE SURFACE, SUB-MARINER FOLLOWS THE SHORE TOWARD HIS DESTINATION.
I'LL FIRST DO SOME INVESTIGATING AT THE DOWER SHIPYARDS... THAT'S A GOOD SPOT FOR THE SABOTEURS TO WORK ON!
REACHING THE SHIPYARD, PRINCE NAMOR FINDS IT IN BLAZES!
MY GUESS WAS RIGHT, BUT LATE!
BETTY AND THE REPORTER FROM THE "STAR" MAKE NOTES OF THE EXPLOSION...
THAT GIRL?!! SHE LOOKS LIKE BETTY MAYBE IT IS!... I CAN'T IMAGINE THAT SHE'D DYE HER HAIR!
WHY, BETTY! ...OR AREN'T YOU!
HARRY! THIS IMBECILE IS PESTERING ME!

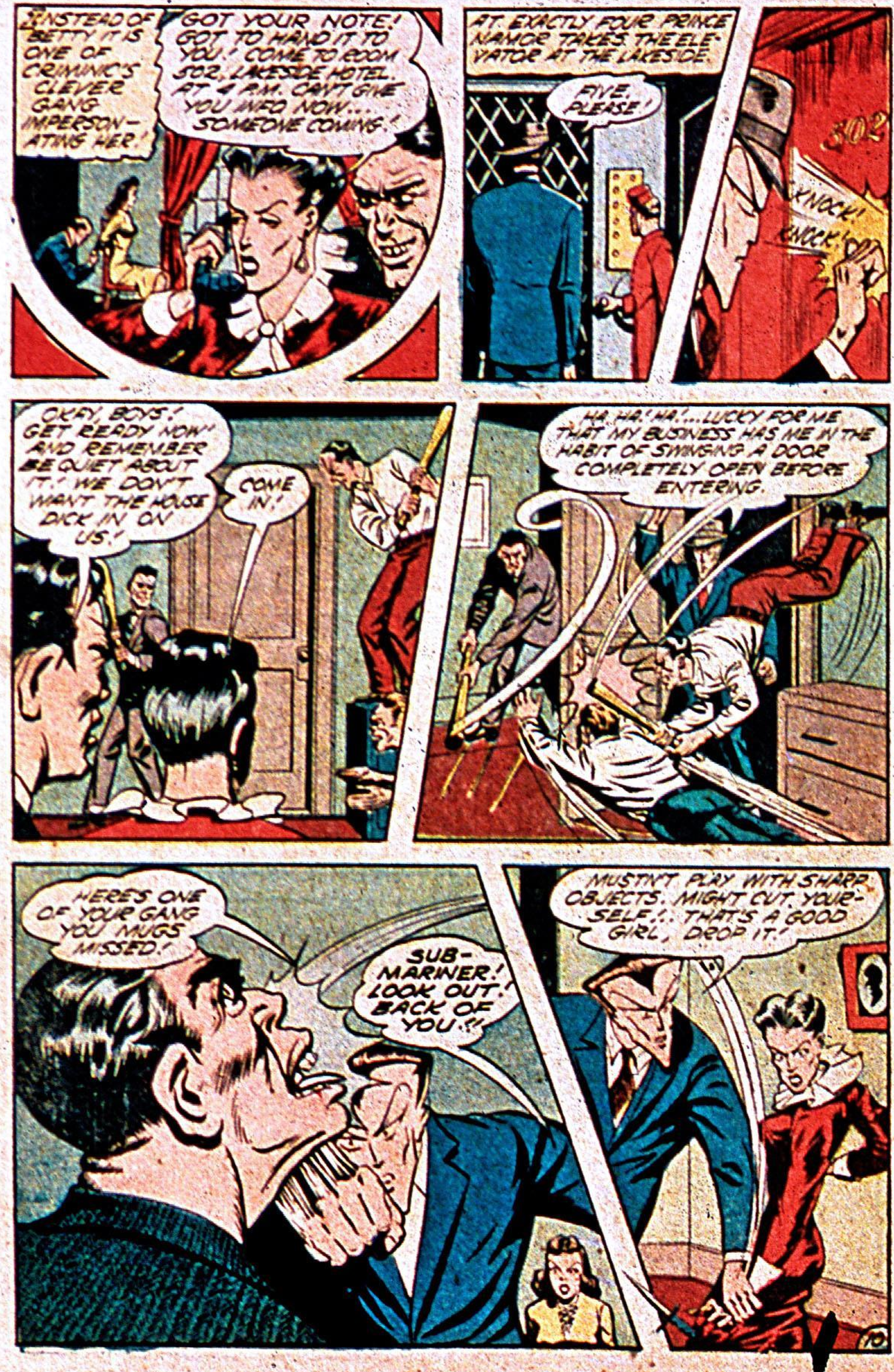

I'LL TAKE CARE OF HIM FOR YOU, LIKE THIS!
LOOK OUT YOU'LL FALL!
MISS!
NOPE! SAVED YOU JUST IN TIME!
AGHHH!
HIT!
AS HARRY COMES TO, SUB-MARINER IS WELL OUT OF SIGHT LEAVING BETTY AT HER ROLE!
HE'S OUT COLD! SORRY I ALMOST GAVE YOU AWAY! WHAT'S THE GAME, BETTY?
I SUSPECTED THE "STAR" TO BE BACK OF THE EXPLOSIONS! THIS DISGUISE HELPED ME HIRE OUT AS CUB REPORTER FOR THEM. WE WERE SENT HERE TO WRITE ON MODERN SHIPBUILDING WHEN THE FIRE BROKE OUT!
CLEVER! I'LL HAVE TO KEEP IN TOUCH WITH HER!
M. R. KNOWLES SUPERINTENDENT
MR. KNOWLES! CAN YOU TELL ME IF THERE WAS ANY PAINTING DONE JUST BEFORE THE FIRE!
YES, RIGHT WHERE IT BROKE OUT...BUT ALL THOSE THINGS ARE CONSTANTLY CHECKED FOR INCENDIARY SUBSTANCES...THAT JUST COULDN'T BE THE...
I'M SURE THESE EXPLOSIONS ARE CAUSED BY...SAY WHERE DO YOU BUY PAINT?
VERDER'S, BUT THEY'RE RELIABLE AND ABSOLUTELY AMERICAN!..WHY, YOU'RE NUTS IF YOU THINK THEY...

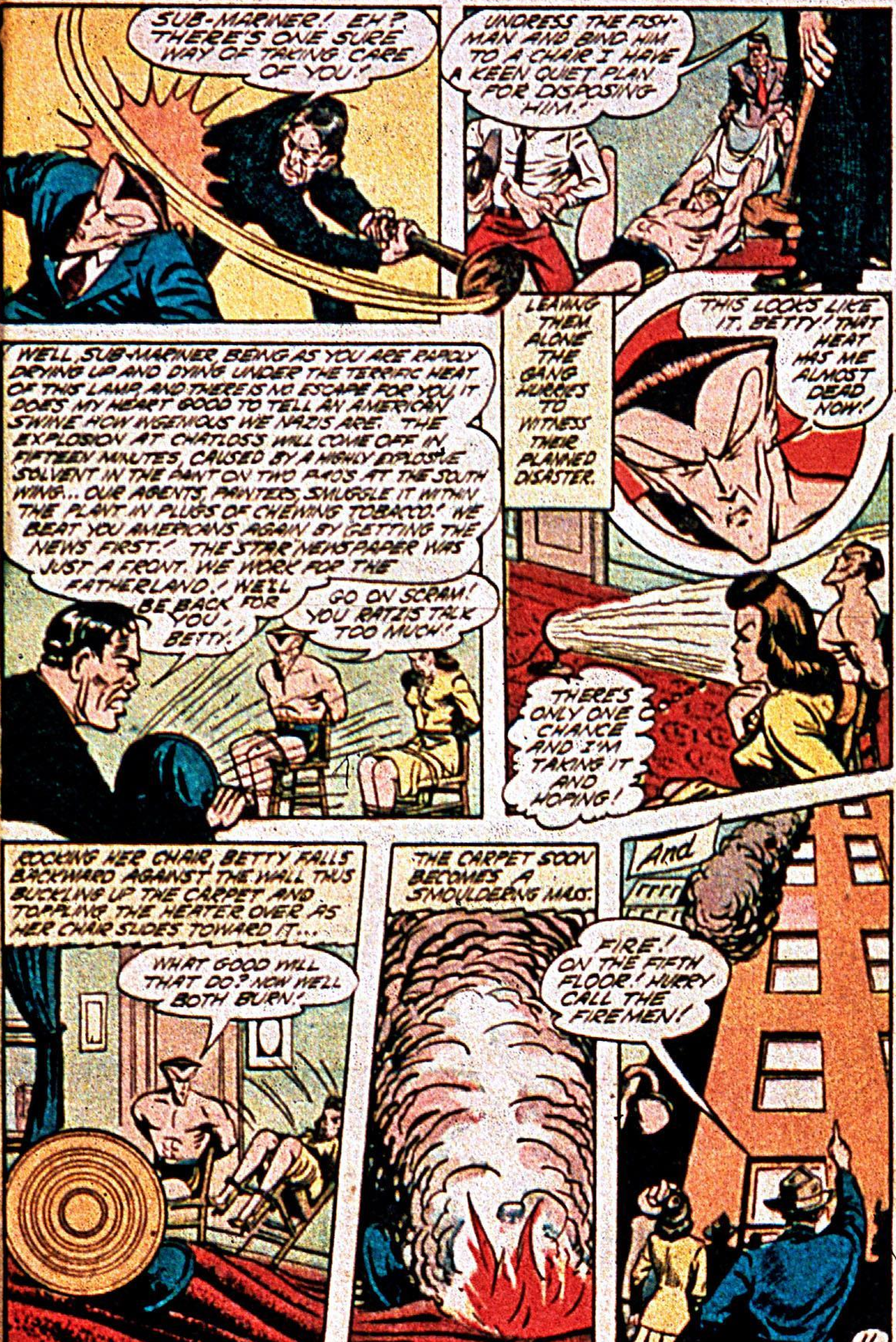

VERDERS! THAT'S THE PAINT THEY'VE ALL BEEN USING! LUCKY THEIR HEAD OFFICE IS HERE!
OHHHH!... MOMMIE! LOOK!! SUB-MARINER!
THEY WON'T HESITATE TO GIVE ME THE INFORMATION I NEED! I FEEL SURE I'M ON THE RIGHT TRACK!
WELL?! DON'T BOTHER TO ASK THE RECEPTIONIST WHOM YOU WISH TO SEE! I'M JUST A FIXTURE!
SORRY! IN A HURRY, YOU KNOW!
WHEW! SUB-MARINER!
SUB-MARINER BURSTS RIGHT THROUGH AND INTO THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE!
AND TO WHAT MIGHT I OWE THE HONOR OF HAVING YOU DROP IN ON ME SO UNEXPECTEDLY AND SO UNCLOTHED!
FIRES! EXPLOSIONS! WORKS OF SABOTAGE ALL OVER THE COUNTRY ..I'D LIKE SOME INFORMATION!
PRIVAT
I KNOW YOUR PAINT IS 100% AMERICAN. WHAT I REALLY WANT IS A LIST OF YOUR BIGGEST BUYERS!
OH! YOU'RE SUB-MARINER! DARN NEAR HAD ME UP OFF MY CHAIR! GIVE HIM A LIST, GLADYS! AND ME MY PILL!
HAVE A SPIN ON ME, CUTIE!... IF I COME BACK AGAIN I'LL KNOCK TWICE AND ASK YOU TO ANNOUNCE ME TO THE BOSS!
WHAT A GUY! WHAT A MAN ...AND HOW!

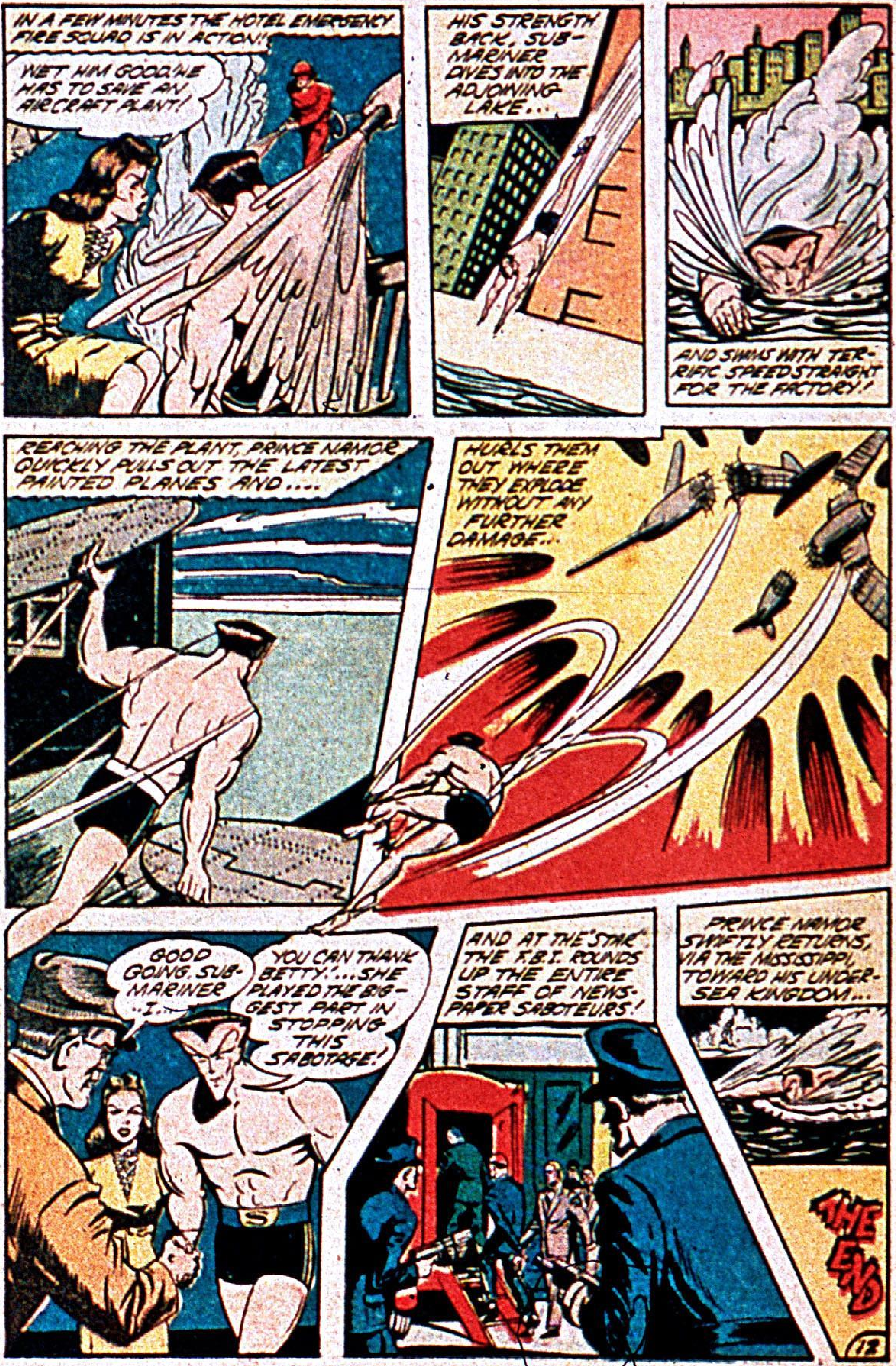

ACCORDING TO THIS LIST, THE CHATLOS AIRCRAFT COMPANY IN CHICAGO IS A GOOD BET TO BE NEXT! THEY'RE THE BIGGEST, BUT FIRST TO GET DRESSED BEFORE PLANE TIME!
ABERD
CO
WOULD YOU BE INTERESTED IN SOME CLOTHES, MY DEAR FRIEND?
NO! I DROPPED IN TO CATCH AN OCEANIC LINER!
SAMMY! TAKE CARE OF THE GENTLEMAN! HE NEEDS A WHOLE NEW OUTFIT!
MAKE THIS FAST!
FIVE INCHES IN ON THE WAIST AND IT WILL BE LIKE TAILOR MADE!
NO TIME FOR THAT!
THE TOTAL IS $95.95 INCLUDING TAX! THE BELT WE'RE GIVING YOU FREE BECAUSE WANT YOU TO COME BACK!
HERE'S A HUNDRED! KEEP THE CHANGE!
SUB-MARINER REACHES THE AIR PORT JUST AS HIS PLANE IS READY TO PULL OUT.
YOUR SEAT, SIR!
THANKS!
SAY! ISN'T THAT THE FELLOW WE HAD A RUN IN WITH AT THE SHIP-YARD?
NO! I DON'T THINK SO! THIS ONE IS BETTER LOOKING! NO, I'M SURE HE'S NOT!

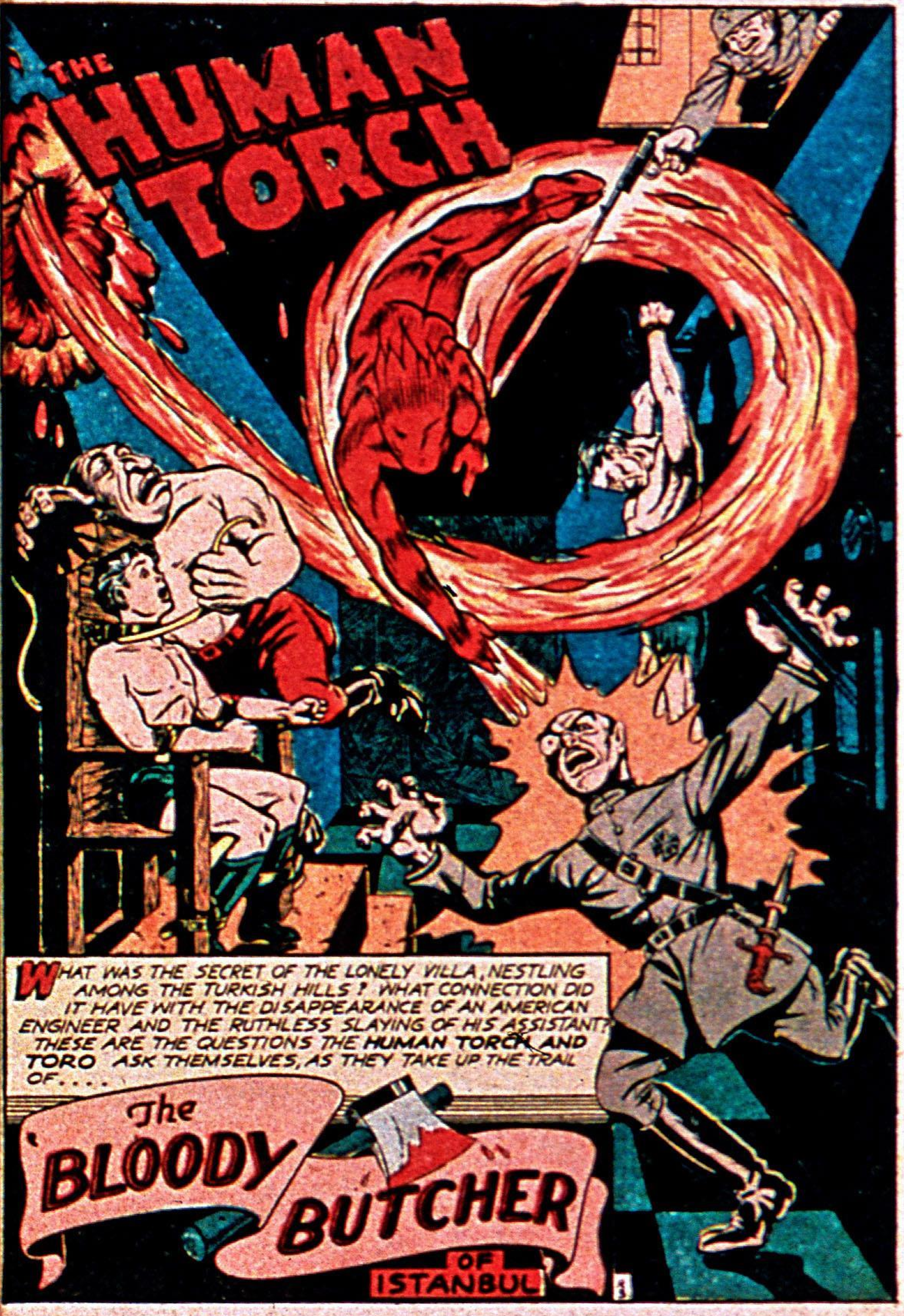

MEANWHILE AT THE CHATLOS AIRCRAFT CO. A COUPLE PAINTERS WORK PATRIOTICALLY ON.
TIME TO TAKE FIVE! DON'T YOU THINK, HANS?
YAH! IT IS THE HOUR!
NOTHING LIKE A GOOD CHEW FOR THE FATHERLAND!
UND FOR DER STUPID AMERICANS WHO CAN'T FIGURE US OUT!
THE PAINT CONTAINERS ARE READY TO BE FILLED AND SPICED!... THE COAST IS CLEAR! READY?
YAH! SPICED WITH A BALL OF SOLUBLE CONCENTRATED DYNAMITE TO BLOW THIS PLACE UP, WHEN IT DRIES IN PAINT FORM ON THE PLANES IN TWELVE HOURS!
SPITT
AT THIS TIME THE TRANSPORT PLANE CARRYING SUB-MARINER NEARS THE CITY!
JUST AS THE PASSENGERS UNLOAD BETTY DROPS HER BAG!
OH, OH, JUST A SEC. MY PURSE FELL!
DAMES! BAH! THEY CAN'T HOLD ONTO ANYTHING!
WELL, HURRY IT UP!

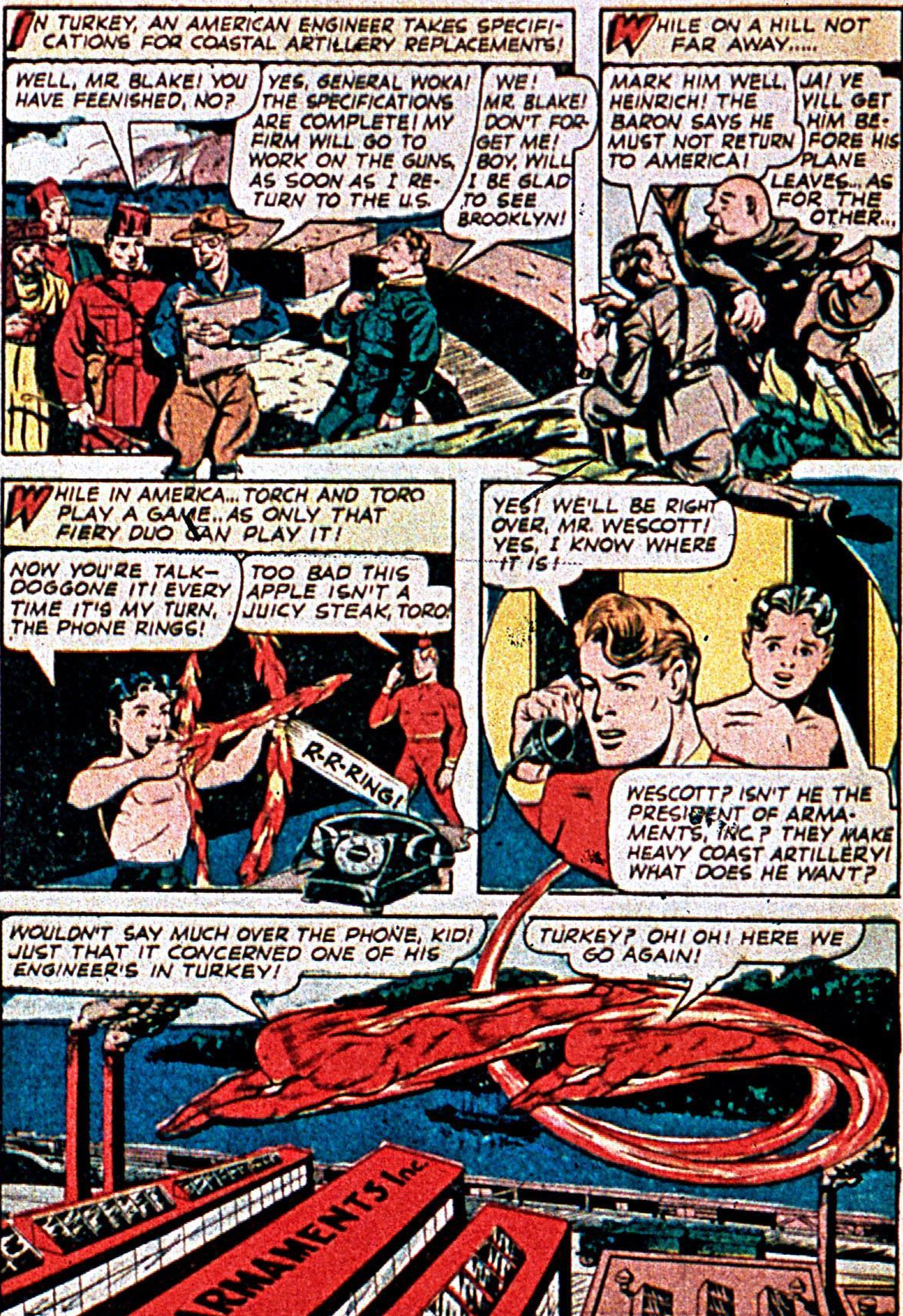

AS BETTY STOOPS TO PICK UP THE BAG PRINCE NAMOR FLIPS A NOTE INTO HER PALM.
TAKING A CAB HARRY AND BETTY ARRIVE AT THEIR HOTEL.
RESERVATIONS FOR MR. H. CRIMINIC AND SECRETARY?'
ROOMS 501 AND 502 ARE READY FOR YOU!
ALONE IN HER ROOM, BETTY LOOKS AT THE NOTE FROM SUB-MARINER, UNAWARE OF THE LURKING FIGURE AT THE DOOR.
HERE! I'VE HAD AN EYE ON YOU! WHAT'S THAT?
CRIMINIC'S AIDS ARE AT HAND AND HOLD BETTY CAPTIVE AS HE EXAMINES THE NOTE...
UMM?!..IT SEEMS WE HAVE A COUPLE PEOPLE WHO ARE GETTING WISE TO US! YEAH! A LITTLE TOO WISE TO BE AROUND MUCH LONGER!
Phone me at The F.B.I. Head-quarters if you have info about when and where explosion will take place. S.M.
IN ANOTHER PART OF THE CITY SUB-MARINER CONVERSES WITH THE F.B.I. CHIEF OF CHICAGO....
..I KNOW A WAR PLANT WILL BE SABOTAGED NEARBY WITHIN THE DAY! BETTY, WHO IS WORKING ON THE CASE, TOO, WILL PHONE INFORMATION TO ME HERE AT ANY MOMENT!
RING!
IT'S FOR YOU, PRINCE NAMOR!
THANKS! MUST BE HER!


INSTEAD OF BETTY IT IS ONE OF CRIMINIC'S CLEVER GANG IMPERSONATING HER!
GOT YOUR NOTE! GOT TO HAND IT TO YOU! COME TO ROOM 302, LAKESIDE HOTEL AT 4 P.M. CAN'T GIVE YOU INFO NOW.... SOMEONE COMING!
AT EXACTLY FOUR PRINCE NAMOR TAKES THE ELEVATOR AT THE LAKESIDE.
FIVE, PLEASE!
302
KNOCK! KNOCK!
OKAY, BOYS! GET READY NOW! AND REMEMBER BE QUIET ABOUT IT! WE DON'T WANT THE HOUSE DICK IN ON US!
COME IN!
HA HA! HA!... LUCKY FOR ME THAT MY BUSINESS HAS ME IN THE HABIT OF SWINGING A DOOR COMPLETELY OPEN BEFORE ENTERING.
HERE'S ONE OF YOUR GANG YOU MUGS MISSED!
SUB-MARINER! LOOK OUT! BACK OF YOU!!
MUSTN'T PLAY WITH SHARP OBJECTS. MIGHT CUT YOURSELF!. THAT'S A GOOD GIRL, DROP IT!


SUB-MARINER! EH? THERE'S ONE SURE WAY OF TAKING CARE OF YOU!
UNDRESS THE FISH-MAN AND BIND HIM TO A CHAIR I HAVE A KEEN QUIET PLAN FOR DISPOSING HIM!
WELL, SUB-MARINER, BEING AS YOU ARE RAPIDLY DRYING UP AND DYING UNDER THE TERRIFIC HEAT OF THIS LAMP, AND THERE IS NO ESCAPE FOR YOU, IT DOES MY HEART GOOD TO TELL AN AMERICAN SWINE HOW INGENIOUS WE NAZIS ARE. THE EXPLOSION AT CHATLOSS WILL COME OFF IN FIFTEEN MINUTES, CAUSED BY A HIGHLY EXPLOSIVE SOLVENT IN THE PAINT ON TWO P40'S AT THE SOUTH WING... OUR AGENTS, PAINTERS, SMUGGLE IT WITHIN THE PLANT IN PLUGS OF CHEWING TOBACCO! WE BEAT YOU AMERICANS AGAIN BY GETTING THE NEWS FIRST! THE STAR NEWSPAPER WAS JUST A FRONT. WE WORK FOR THE FATHERLAND! WELL BE BACK FOR YOU, BETTY!
GO ON SCRAM! YOU RATZIS TALK TOO MUCH!
LEAVING THEM ALONE THE GANG HURRIES TO WITNESS THEIR PLANNED DISASTER.
THIS LOOKS LIKE IT, BETTY! THAT HEAT HAS ME ALMOST DEAD NOW!
THERE'S ONLY ONE CHANCE AND I'M TAKING IT AND HOPING!
ROCKING HER CHAIR, BETTY FALLS BACKWARD AGAINST THE WALL THUS BUCKLING UP THE CARPET AND TOPPLING THE HEATER OVER AS HER CHAIR SLIDES TOWARD IT...
WHAT GOOD WILL THAT DO? NOW WELL BOTH BURN!
THE CARPET SOON BECOMES A SMOULDERING MASS.
And
FIRE! ON THE FIFTH FLOOR! HURRY CALL THE FIREMEN!


IN A FEW MINUTES THE HOTEL EMERGENCY FIRE SQUAD IS IN ACTION!
WET HIM GOOD! HE HAS TO SAVE AN AIRCRAFT PLANT!
HIS STRENGTH BACK, SUB-MARINER DIVES INTO THE ADJOINING LAKE...
AND SWIMS WITH TERRIFIC SPEED STRAIGHT FOR THE FACTORY!
REACHING THE PLANT, PRINCE NAMOR QUICKLY PULLS OUT THE LATEST PAINTED PLANES AND....
HURLS THEM OUT WHERE THEY EXPLODE WITHOUT ANY FURTHER DAMAGE...
GOOD GOING, SUB-MARINER ...I...
YOU CAN THANK BETTY!...SHE PLAYED THE BIGGEST PART IN STOPPING THIS SABOTAGE!
AND AT THE 'STAR' THE F.B.I. ROUNDS UP THE ENTIRE STAFF OF NEWSPAPER SABOTEURS!
PRINCE NAMOR SWIFTLY RETURNS, VIA THE MISSISSIPPI, TOWARD HIS UNDER-SEA KINGDOM...
THE END


THE HUMAN TORCH
WHAT WAS THE SECRET OF THE LONELY VILLA, NESTLING AMONG THE TURKISH HILLS? WHAT CONNECTION DID IT HAVE WITH THE DISAPPEARANCE OF AN AMERICAN ENGINEER AND THE RUTHLESS SLAYING OF HIS ASSISTANT? THESE ARE THE QUESTIONS THE **HUMAN TORCH** AND **TORO** ASK THEMSELVES, AS THEY TAKE UP THE TRAIL OF....
The BLOODY BUTCHER OF ISTANBUL


IN TURKEY, AN AMERICAN ENGINEER TAKES SPECIFICATIONS FOR COASTAL ARTILLERY REPLACEMENTS!
WELL, MR. BLAKE! YOU HAVE FEENISHED, NO?
YES, GENERAL WOKA! THE SPECIFICATIONS ARE COMPLETE! MY FIRM WILL GO TO WORK ON THE GUNS, AS SOON AS I RETURN TO THE U.S.
WE! MR. BLAKE! DON'T FORGET ME! BOY, WILL I BE GLAD TO SEE BROOKLYN!
WHILE ON A HILL NOT FAR AWAY.....
MARK HIM WELL, HEINRICH! THE BARON SAYS HE MUST NOT RETURN TO AMERICA!
JA! VE VILL GET HIM BEFORE HIS PLANE LEAVES... AS FOR THE OTHER...
WHILE IN AMERICA... TORCH AND TORO PLAY A GAME.. AS ONLY THAT FIERY DUO CAN PLAY IT!
NOW YOU'RE TALK— DOGGONE IT! EVERY TIME IT'S MY TURN, THE PHONE RINGS!
TOO BAD THIS APPLE ISN'T A JUICY STEAK, TORO!
R-R-RING!
YES! WE'LL BE RIGHT OVER, MR. WESCOTT! YES, I KNOW WHERE IT IS!
WESCOTT? ISN'T HE THE PRESIDENT OF ARMAMENTS, INC.? THEY MAKE HEAVY COAST ARTILLERY! WHAT DOES HE WANT?
WOULDN'T SAY MUCH OVER THE PHONE, KID! JUST THAT IT CONCERNED ONE OF HIS ENGINEER'S IN TURKEY!
TURKEY? OH! OH! HERE WE GO AGAIN!
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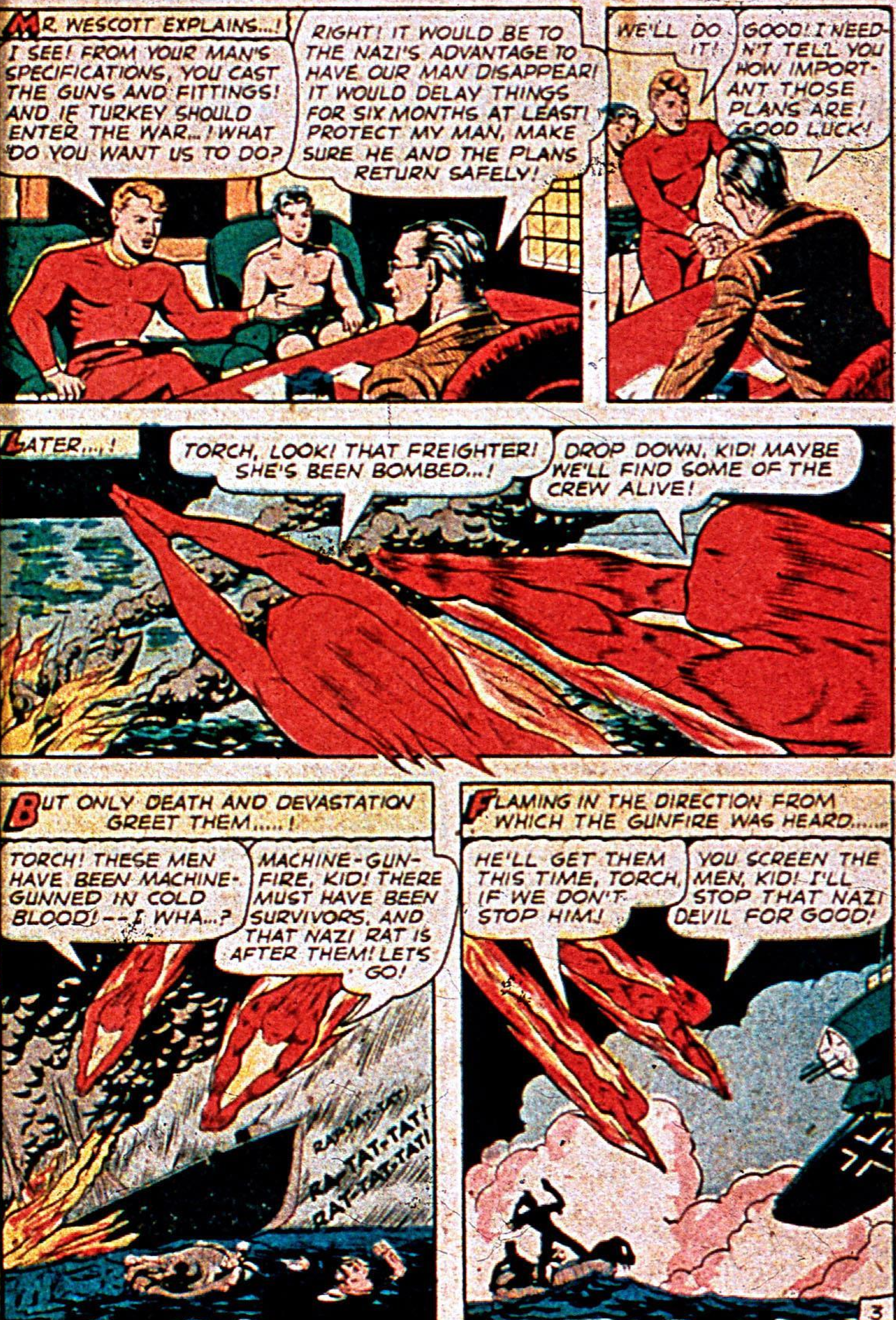
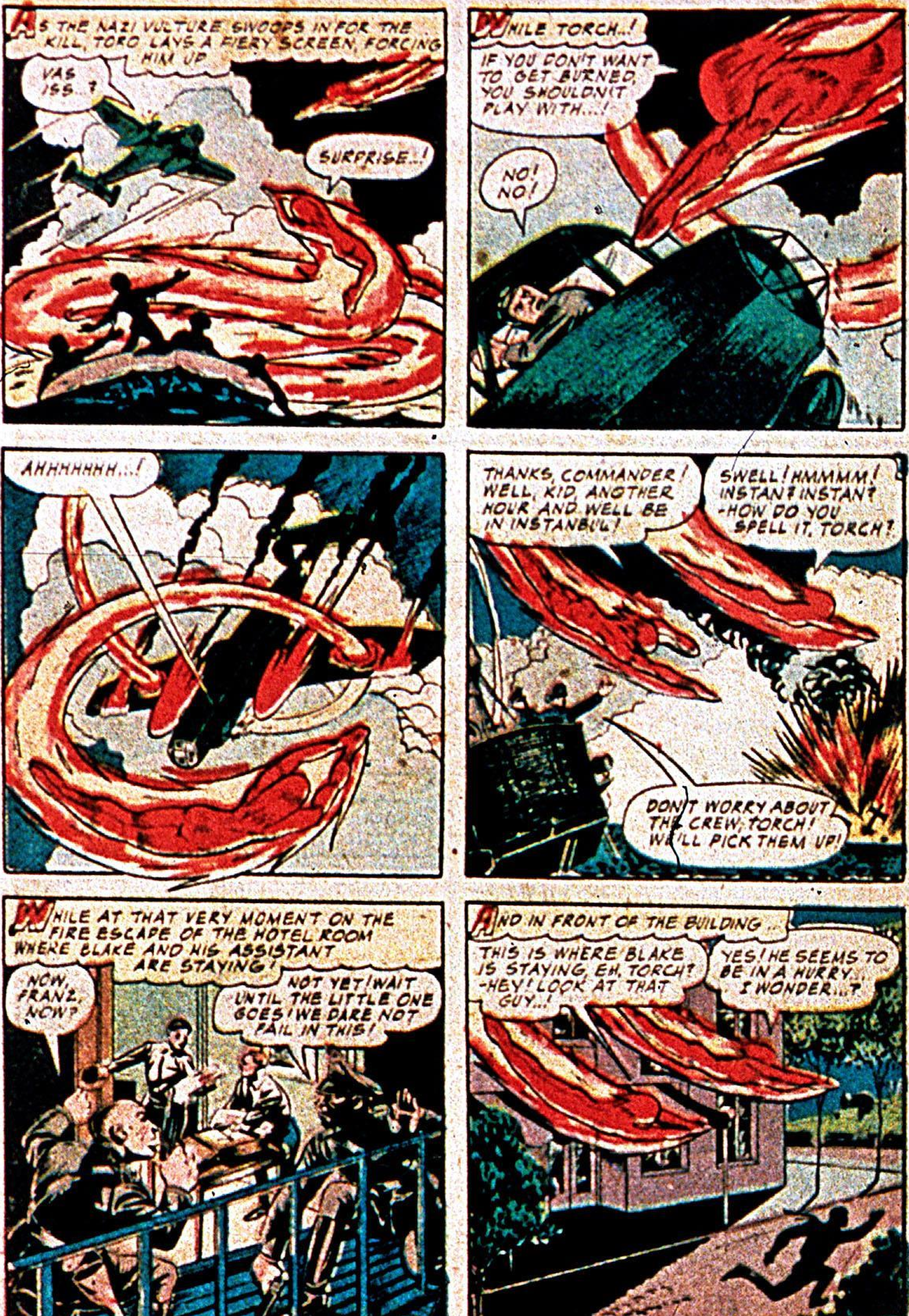
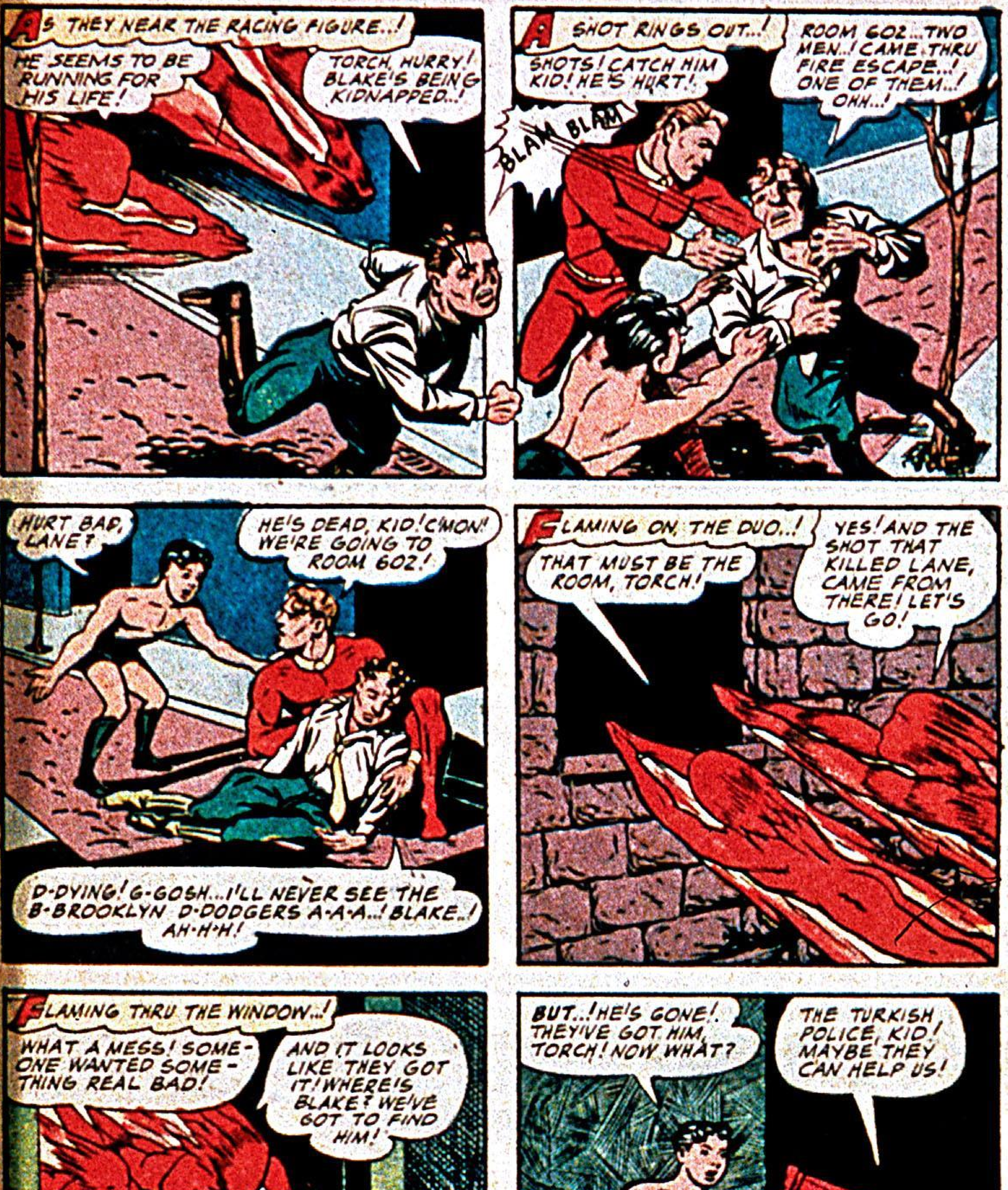

MR. WESCOTT EXPLAINS...!
I SEE! FROM YOUR MAN'S SPECIFICATIONS, YOU CAST THE GUNS AND FITTINGS! AND IF TURKEY SHOULD ENTER THE WAR...! WHAT DO YOU WANT US TO DO?
RIGHT! IT WOULD BE TO THE NAZI'S ADVANTAGE TO HAVE OUR MAN DISAPPEAR! IT WOULD DELAY THINGS FOR SIX MONTHS AT LEAST! PROTECT MY MAN, MAKE SURE HE AND THE PLANS RETURN SAFELY!
WE'LL DO IT!
GOOD! I NEEDN'T TELL YOU HOW IMPORTANT THOSE PLANS ARE! GOOD LUCK!
LATER...!
TORCH, LOOK! THAT FREIGHTER! SHE'S BEEN BOMBED...!
DROP DOWN, KID! MAYBE WE'LL FIND SOME OF THE CREW ALIVE!
BUT ONLY DEATH AND DEVASTATION GREET THEM.....!
TORCH! THESE MEN HAVE BEEN MACHINE-GUNNED IN COLD BLOOD! --I WHA...?
MACHINE-GUNFIRE, KID! THERE MUST HAVE BEEN SURVIVORS, AND THAT NAZI RAT IS AFTER THEM! LET'S GO!
RAT-TAT-TAT!
RAT-TAT-TAT!
RAT-TAT-TAT!
FLAMING IN THE DIRECTION FROM WHICH THE GUNFIRE WAS HEARD.....
HE'LL GET THEM THIS TIME, TORCH, IF WE DON'T STOP HIM!
YOU SCREEN THE MEN, KID! I'LL STOP THAT NAZI DEVIL FOR GOOD!


AS THE NAZI VULTURE SWOOPS IN FOR THE KILL, TORO LAYS A FIERY SCREEN, FORCING HIM UP
VAS ISS..?
SURPRISE..!
WHILE TORCH..!
IF YOU DON'T WANT TO GET BURNED, YOU SHOULDN'T PLAY WITH...!
NO! NO!
AHHHHHHH...!
THANKS, COMMANDER! WELL, KID, ANOTHER HOUR AND WELL BE IN INSTANBUL!
SWELL! HMMMM! INSTAN? INSTAN? -HOW DO YOU SPELL IT, TORCH?
DON'T WORRY ABOUT THE CREW, TORCH! WE'LL PICK THEM UP!
WHILE AT THAT VERY MOMENT ON THE FIRE ESCAPE OF THE HOTEL ROOM WHERE BLAKE AND HIS ASSISTANT ARE STAYING!
NOW, FRANZ, NOW?
NOT YET! WAIT UNTIL THE LITTLE ONE GOES! WE DARE NOT FAIL IN THIS!
AND IN FRONT OF THE BUILDING...
THIS IS WHERE BLAKE IS STAYING, EH, TORCH? -HEY! LOOK AT THAT GUY..!
YES! HE SEEMS TO BE IN A HURRY... I WONDER...?


AS THEY NEAR THE RACING FIGURE..!
HE SEEMS TO BE RUNNING FOR HIS LIFE!
TORCH, HURRY! BLAKE'S BEING KIDNAPPED..!
A SHOT RINGS OUT..!
SHOTS! CATCH HIM KID! HE'S HURT!
ROOM 602...TWO MEN..! CAME THRU FIRE ESCAPE..! ONE OF THEM..! OHH..!
BLAM BLAM
HURT BAD, LANE?
HE'S DEAD, KID! C'MON! WE'RE GOING TO ROOM 602!
D-DYING! G-GOSH...I'LL NEVER SEE THE B-BROOKLYN D-DODGERS A-A-A..! BLAKE..! AH-H-H!
FLAMING ON, THE DUO..!
THAT MUST BE THE ROOM, TORCH!
YES! AND THE SHOT THAT KILLED LANE, CAME FROM THERE! LET'S GO!
FLAMING THRU THE WINDOW..!
WHAT A MESS! SOMEONE WANTED SOMETHING REAL BAD!
AND IT LOOKS LIKE THEY GOT IT! WHERE'S BLAKE? WE'VE GOT TO FIND HIM!
BUT..! HE'S GONE! THEY'VE GOT HIM, TORCH! NOW WHAT?
THE TURKISH POLICE, KID! MAYBE THEY CAN HELP US!
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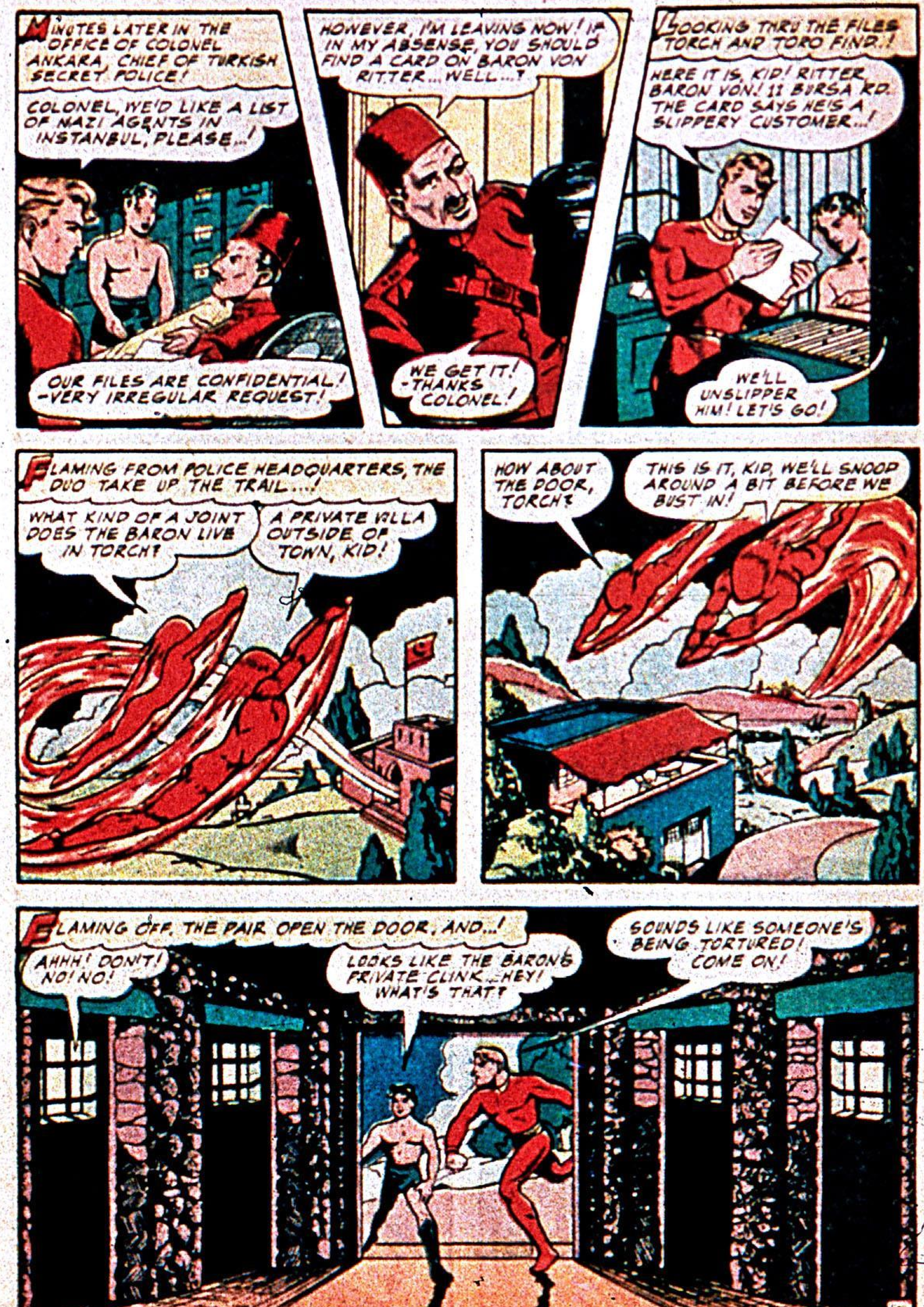
MINUTES LATER IN THE OFFICE OF COLONEL ANKARA, CHIEF OF TURKISH SECRET POLICE!
COLONEL, WE'D LIKE A LIST OF NAZI AGENTS IN INSTANBUL, PLEASE...!
OUR FILES ARE CONFIDENTIAL! -VERY IRREGULAR REQUEST!
HOWEVER, I'M LEAVING NOW! IF IN MY ABSENSE, YOU SHOULD FIND A CARD ON BARON VON RITTER...WELL...?
WE GET IT! -THANKS COLONEL!
LOOKING THRU THE FILES TORCH AND TORO FIND..!
HERE IT IS, KID! RITTER BARON VON! 11 BURSA RD. THE CARD SAYS HE'S A SLIPPERY CUSTOMER...!
WE'LL UNSLIPPER HIM! LET'S GO!
FLAMING FROM POLICE HEADQUARTERS, THE DUO TAKE UP THE TRAIL...!
WHAT KIND OF A JOINT DOES THE BARON LIVE IN TORCH?
A PRIVATE VILLA OUTSIDE OF TOWN, KID!
HOW ABOUT THE DOOR, TORCH?
THIS IS IT, KID, WE'LL SNOOP AROUND A BIT BEFORE WE BUST IN!
FLAMING OFF, THE PAIR OPEN THE DOOR, AND...!
AHHH! DON'T! NO! NO!
LOOKS LIKE THE BARON'S PRIVATE CLINK...HEY! WHAT'S THAT?
SOUNDS LIKE SOMEONE'S BEING TORTURED! COME ON!
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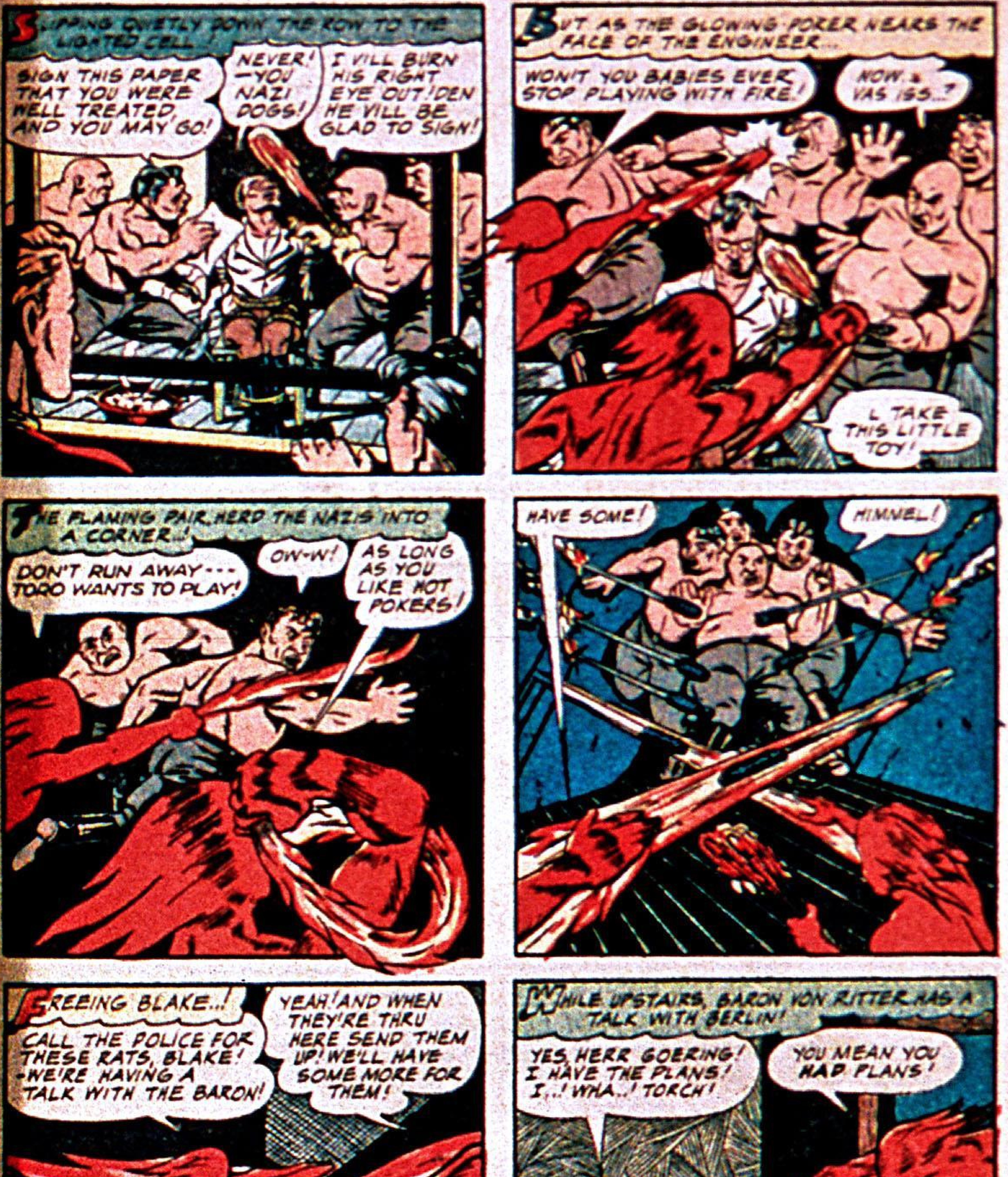
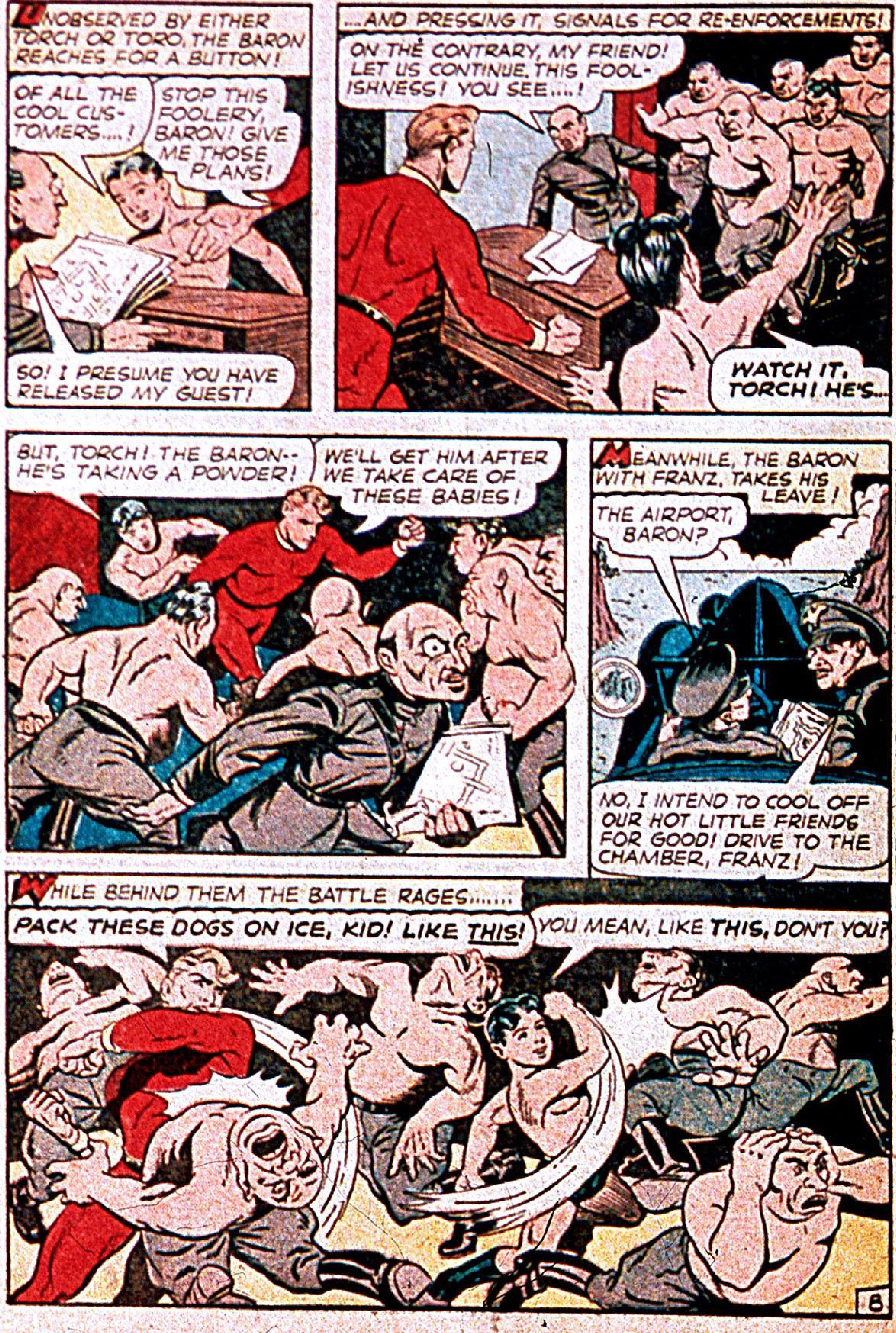

SLIPPING QUIETLY DOWN THE ROW TO THE LIGHTED CELL!
SIGN THIS PAPER THAT YOU WERE WELL TREATED, AND YOU MAY GO!
NEVER! —YOU NAZI DOGS!
I VILL BURN HIS RIGHT EYE OUT! DEN HE VILL BE GLAD TO SIGN!
BUT AS THE GLOWING POKER NEARS THE FACE OF THE ENGINEER...
WON'T YOU BABIES EVER STOP PLAYING WITH FIRE!
NOW, VAS ISS..?
I'LL TAKE THIS LITTLE TOY!
THE FLAMING PAIR HERD THE NAZIS INTO A CORNER..!
DON'T RUN AWAY--- TORO WANTS TO PLAY!
OW-W!
AS LONG AS YOU LIKE HOT POKERS!
HAVE SOME!
HIMMEL!
FREEING BLAKE..!
CALL THE POLICE FOR THESE RATS, BLAKE! -WE'RE HAVING A TALK WITH THE BARON!
YEAH! AND WHEN THEY'RE THRU HERE SEND THEM UP! WE'LL HAVE SOME MORE FOR THEM!
WHILE UPSTAIRS, BARON VON RITTER HAS A TALK WITH BERLIN!
YES, HERR GOERING! I HAVE THE PLANS! I..! WHA..! TORCH!
YOU MEAN YOU HAD PLANS!


UNOBSERVED BY EITHER TORCH OR TORO, THE BARON REACHES FOR A BUTTON!
OF ALL THE COOL CUSTOMERS....!
STOP THIS FOOLERY, BARON! GIVE ME THOSE PLANS!
SO! I PRESUME YOU HAVE RELEASED MY GUEST!
...AND PRESSING IT, SIGNALS FOR RE-ENFORCEMENTS!
ON THE CONTRARY, MY FRIEND! LET US CONTINUE THIS FOOLISHNESS! YOU SEE....!
WATCH IT, TORCH! HE'S...
BUT, TORCH! THE BARON-- HE'S TAKING A POWDER!
WE'LL GET HIM AFTER WE TAKE CARE OF THESE BABIES!
MEANWHILE, THE BARON WITH FRANZ, TAKES HIS LEAVE!
THE AIRPORT, BARON?
NO, I INTEND TO COOL OFF OUR HOT LITTLE FRIENDS FOR GOOD! DRIVE TO THE CHAMBER, FRANZ!
WHILE BEHIND THEM THE BATTLE RAGES.......
PACK THESE DOGS ON ICE, KID! LIKE THIS!
YOU MEAN, LIKE THIS, DON'T YOU?
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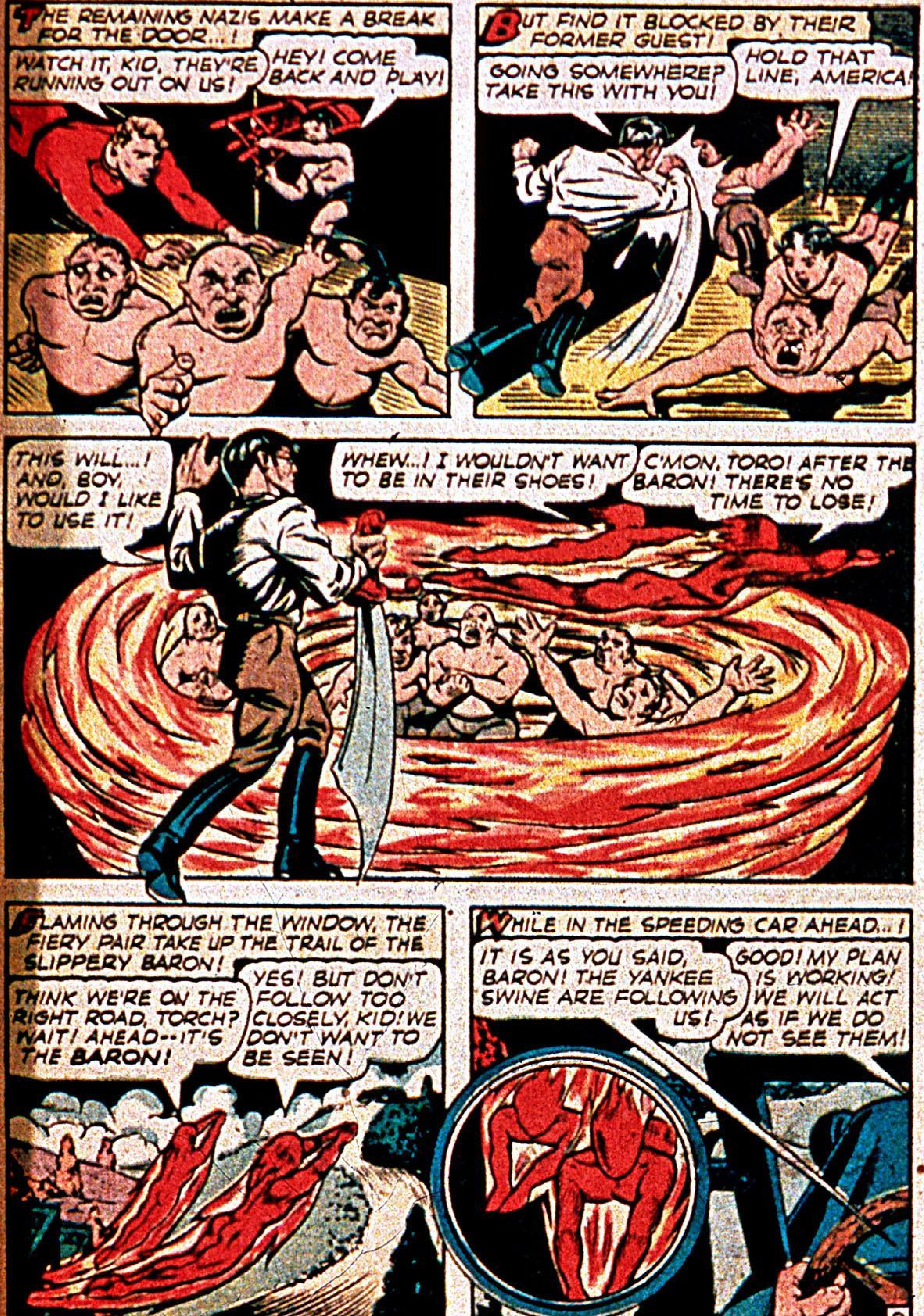
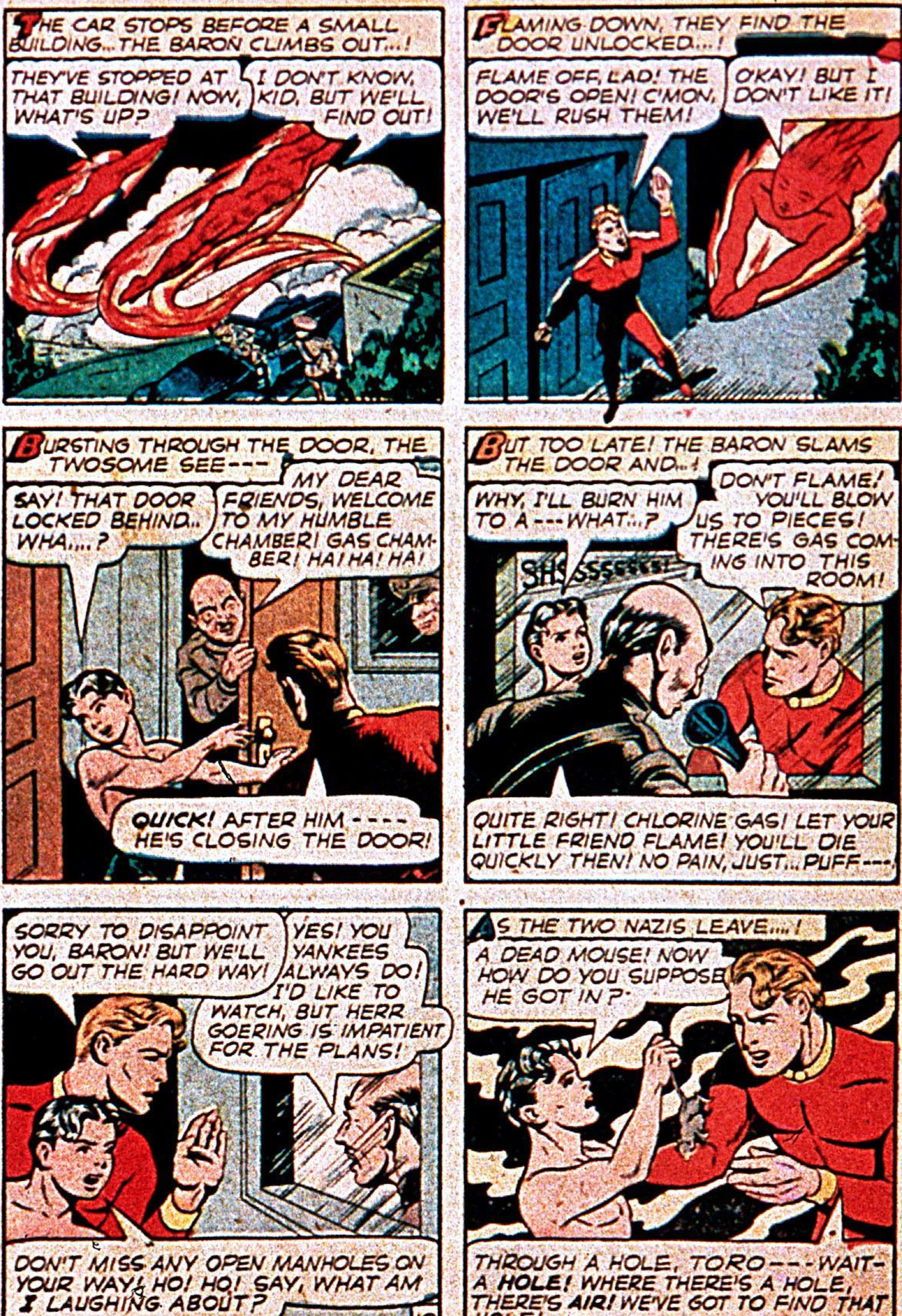

THE REMAINING NAZIS MAKE A BREAK FOR THE DOOR...!
WATCH IT, KID, THEY'RE RUNNING OUT ON US!
HEY! COME BACK AND PLAY!
BUT FIND IT BLOCKED BY THEIR FORMER GUEST!
GOING SOMEWHERE? TAKE THIS WITH YOU!
HOLD THAT LINE, AMERICA!
THIS WILL...! AND, BOY, WOULD I LIKE TO USE IT!
WHEW...I I WOULDN'T WANT TO BE IN THEIR SHOES!
C'MON, TORO! AFTER THE BARON! THERE'S NO TIME TO LOSE!
FLAMING THROUGH THE WINDOW, THE FIERY PAIR TAKE UP THE TRAIL OF THE SLIPPERY BARON!
THINK WE'RE ON THE RIGHT ROAD, TORCH? WAIT! AHEAD--IT'S THE BARON!
YES! BUT DON'T FOLLOW TOO CLOSELY, KID! WE DON'T WANT TO BE SEEN!
WHILE IN THE SPEEDING CAR AHEAD...!
IT IS AS YOU SAID, BARON! THE YANKEE SWINE ARE FOLLOWING US!
GOOD! MY PLAN IS WORKING! WE WILL ACT AS IF WE DO NOT SEE THEM!


THE CAR STOPS BEFORE A SMALL BUILDING...THE BARON CLIMBS OUT...!
THEY'VE STOPPED AT THAT BUILDING! NOW, WHAT'S UP?
I DON'T KNOW, KID, BUT WE'LL FIND OUT!
FLAMING DOWN, THEY FIND THE DOOR UNLOCKED...!
FLAME OFF, LAD! THE DOOR'S OPEN! C'MON, WE'LL RUSH THEM!
O'KAY! BUT I DON'T LIKE IT!
BURSTING THROUGH THE DOOR, THE TWOSOME SEE---
SAY! THAT DOOR LOCKED BEHIND.. WHA....?
MY DEAR FRIENDS, WELCOME TO MY HUMBLE CHAMBER! GAS CHAMBER! HA! HA! HA!
QUICK! AFTER HIM---- HE'S CLOSING THE DOOR!
BUT TOO LATE! THE BARON SLAMS THE DOOR AND...!
WHY, I'LL BURN HIM TO A---WHAT...?
DON'T FLAME! YOU'LL BLOW US TO PIECES! THERE'S GAS COMING INTO THIS ROOM!
SHSSSSSSSS!
QUITE RIGHT! CHLORINE GAS! LET YOUR LITTLE FRIEND FLAME! YOU'LL DIE QUICKLY THEN! NO PAIN, JUST...PUFF---.
SORRY TO DISAPPOINT YOU, BARON! BUT WE'LL GO OUT THE HARD WAY!
YES! YOU YANKEES ALWAYS DO! I'D LIKE TO WATCH, BUT HERR GOERING IS IMPATIENT FOR THE PLANS!
DON'T MISS ANY OPEN MANHOLES ON YOUR WAY! HO! HO! SAY, WHAT AM I LAUGHING ABOUT?
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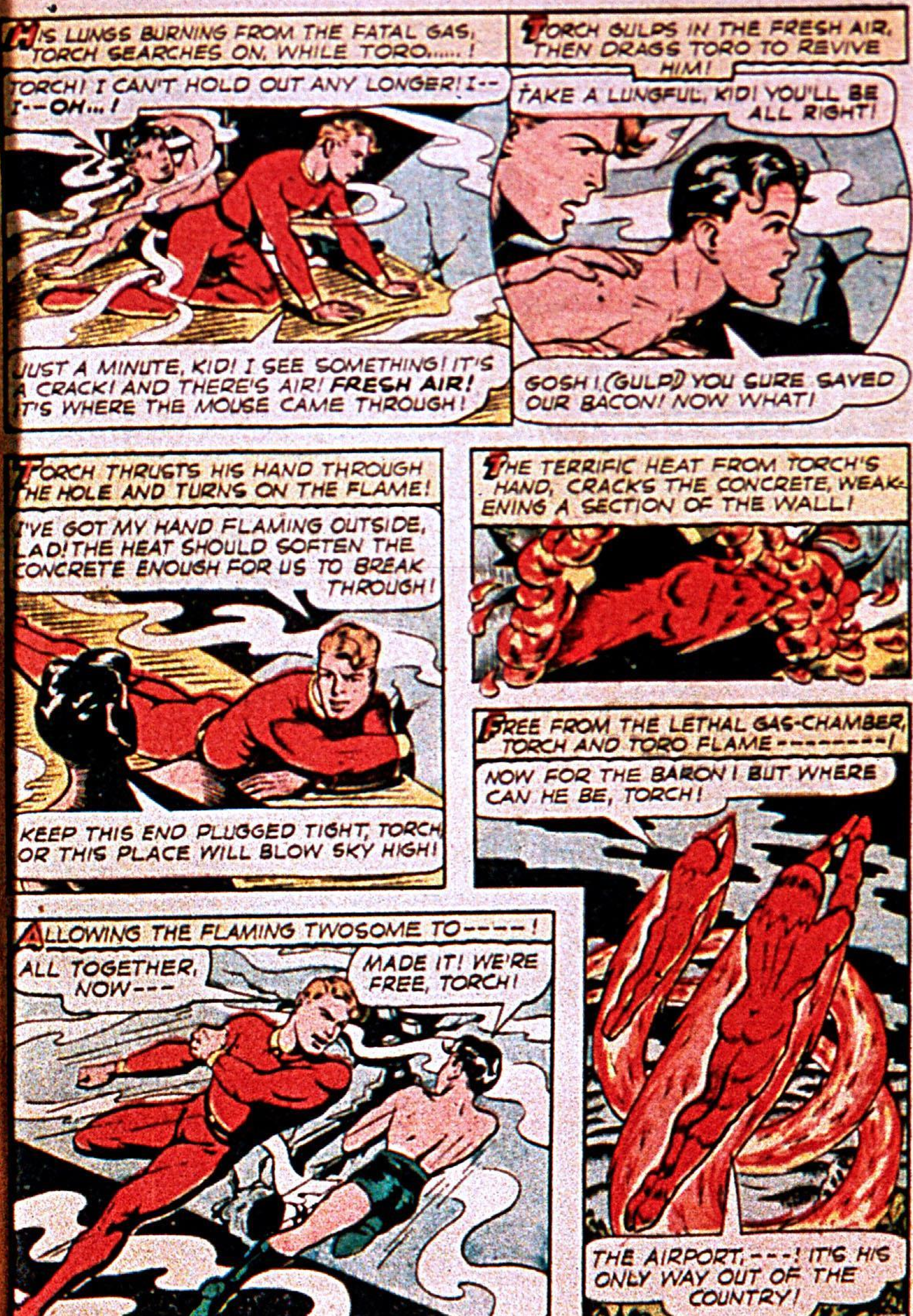
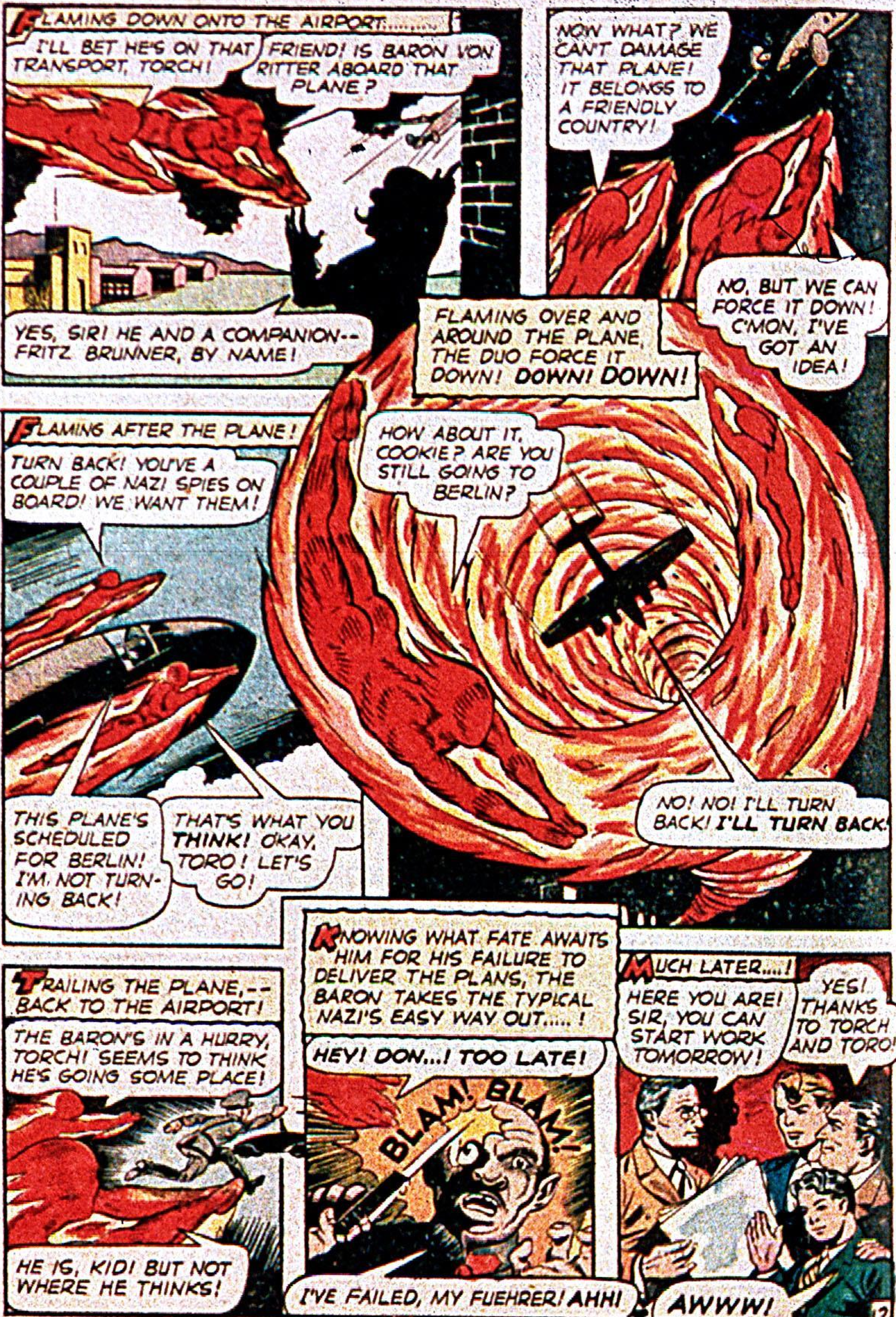
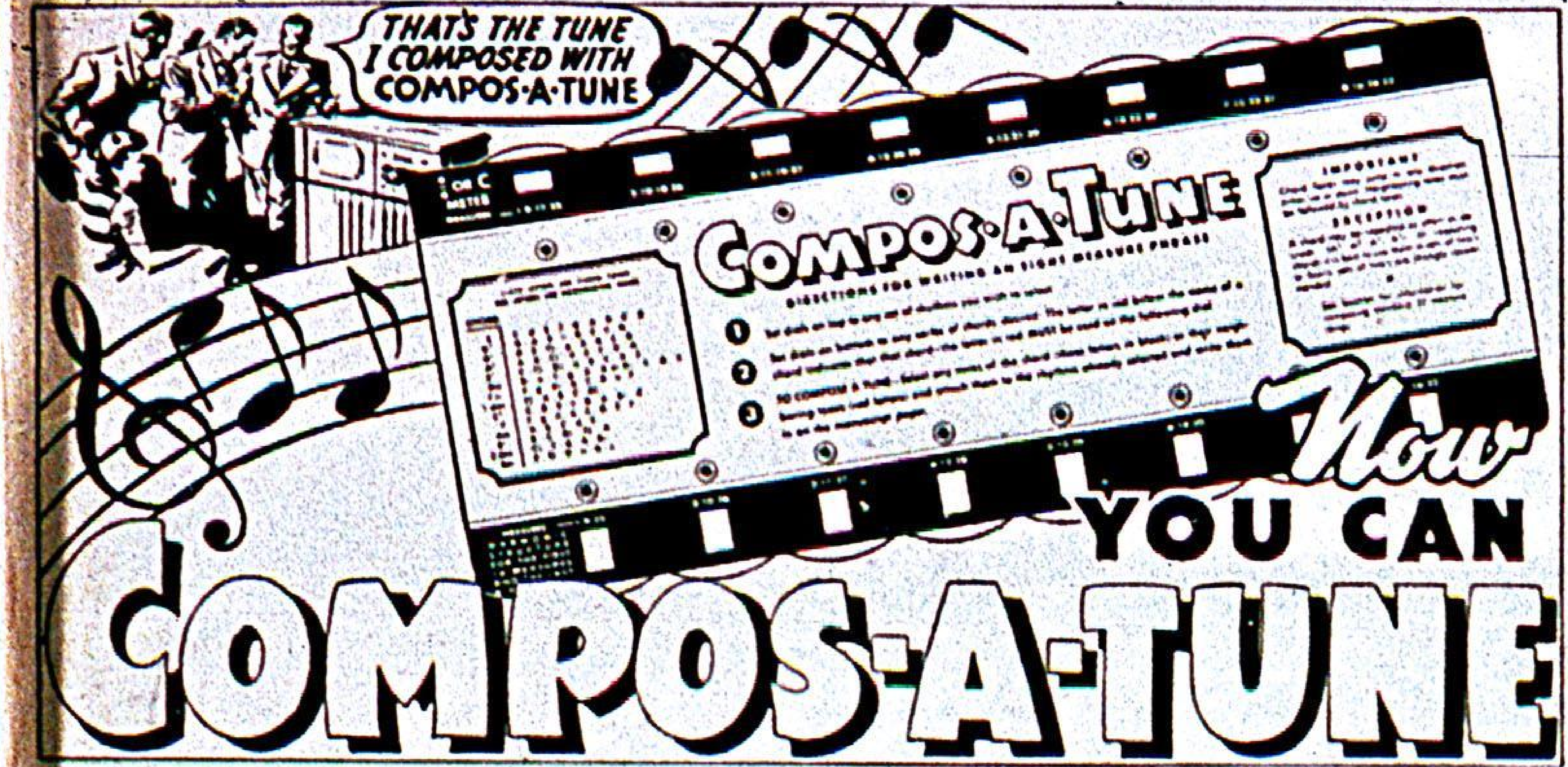
AS THE TWO NAZIS LEAVE....!
A DEAD MOUSE! NOW HOW DO YOU SUPPOSE HE GOT IN?
THROUGH A HOLE, TORO---WAIT- A HOLE! WHERE THERE'S A HOLE, THERE'S AIR! WE'VE GOT TO FIND THAT HOLE!


HIS LUNGS BURNING FROM THE FATAL GAS, TORCH SEARCHES ON, WHILE TORO......!
TORCH! I CAN'T HOLD OUT ANY LONGER! I--I--OH...!
JUST A MINUTE, KID! I SEE SOMETHING! IT'S A CRACK! AND THERE'S AIR! FRESH AIR! IT'S WHERE THE MOUSE CAME THROUGH!
TORCH GULPS IN THE FRESH AIR, THEN DRAGS TORO TO REVIVE HIM!
TAKE A LUNGFUL, KID! YOU'LL BE ALL RIGHT!
GOSH! (GULP!) YOU SURE SAVED OUR BACON! NOW WHAT!
TORCH THRUSTS HIS HAND THROUGH THE HOLE AND TURNS ON THE FLAME!
I'VE GOT MY HAND FLAMING OUTSIDE, LAD! THE HEAT SHOULD SOFTEN THE CONCRETE ENOUGH FOR US TO BREAK THROUGH!
KEEP THIS END PLUGGED TIGHT, TORCH OR THIS PLACE WILL BLOW SKY HIGH!
THE TERRIFIC HEAT FROM TORCH'S HAND, CRACKS THE CONCRETE, WEAKENING A SECTION OF THE WALL!
ALLOWING THE FLAMING TWOSOME TO-----!
ALL TOGETHER, NOW---
MADE IT! WE'RE FREE, TORCH!
FREE FROM THE LETHAL GAS-CHAMBER, TORCH AND TORO FLAME---------!
NOW FOR THE BARON! BUT WHERE CAN HE BE, TORCH!
THE AIRPORT,---! IT'S HIS ONLY WAY OUT OF THE COUNTRY!


FLAMING DOWN ONTO THE AIRPORT.........
I'LL BET HE'S ON THAT TRANSPORT, TORCH!
FRIEND! IS BARON VON RITTER ABOARD THAT PLANE?
YES, SIR! HE AND A COMPANION--FRITZ BRUNNER, BY NAME!
NOW WHAT? WE CAN'T DAMAGE THAT PLANE! IT BELONGS TO A FRIENDLY COUNTRY!
NO, BUT WE CAN FORCE IT DOWN! C'MON, I'VE GOT AN IDEA!
FLAMING AFTER THE PLANE!
TURN BACK! YOU'VE A COUPLE OF NAZI SPIES ON BOARD! WE WANT THEM!
THIS PLANE'S SCHEDULED FOR BERLIN! I'M NOT TURNING BACK!
THAT'S WHAT YOU THINK! OKAY, TORO! LET'S GO!
FLAMING OVER AND AROUND THE PLANE, THE DUO FORCE IT DOWN! DOWN! DOWN!
HOW ABOUT IT, COOKIE? ARE YOU STILL GOING TO BERLIN?
NO! NO! I'LL TURN BACK! I'LL TURN BACK!
TRAILING THE PLANE,--BACK TO THE AIRPORT!
THE BARON'S IN A HURRY, TORCH! SEEMS TO THINK HE'S GOING SOME PLACE!
HE IS, KID! BUT NOT WHERE HE THINKS!
KNOWING WHAT FATE AWAITS HIM FOR HIS FAILURE TO DELIVER THE PLANS, THE BARON TAKES THE TYPICAL NAZI'S EASY WAY OUT.....!
HEY! DON...! TOO LATE!
BLAM! BLAM!
I'VE FAILED, MY FUEHRER! AHH!
MUCH LATER....!
HERE YOU ARE! SIR, YOU CAN START WORK TOMORROW!
YES! THANKS TO TORCH AND TORO!
AWWW!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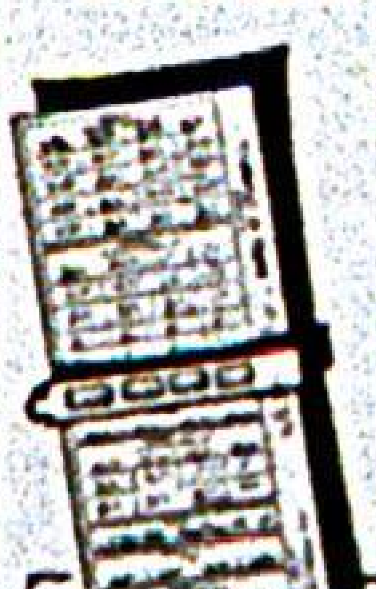

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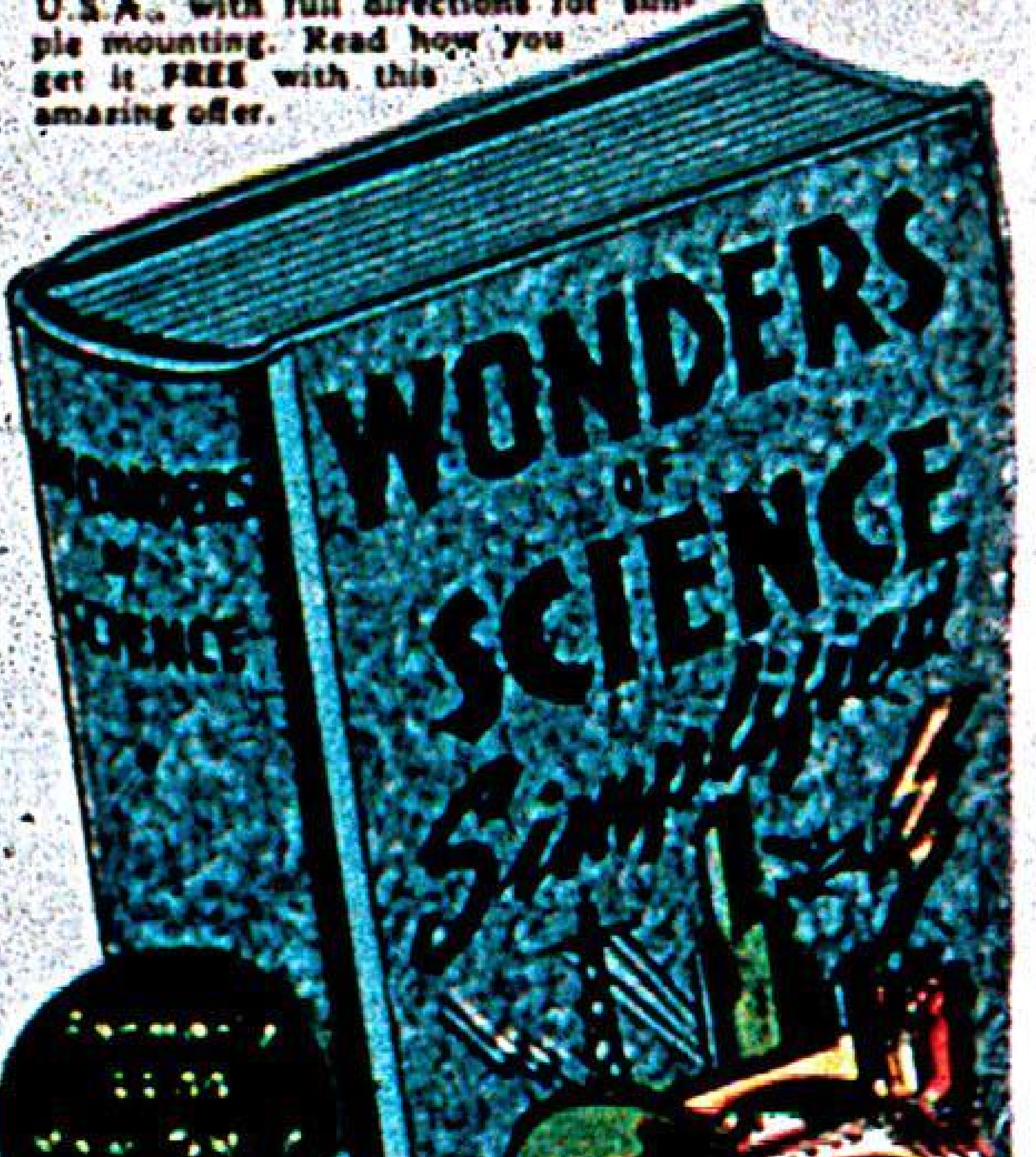

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